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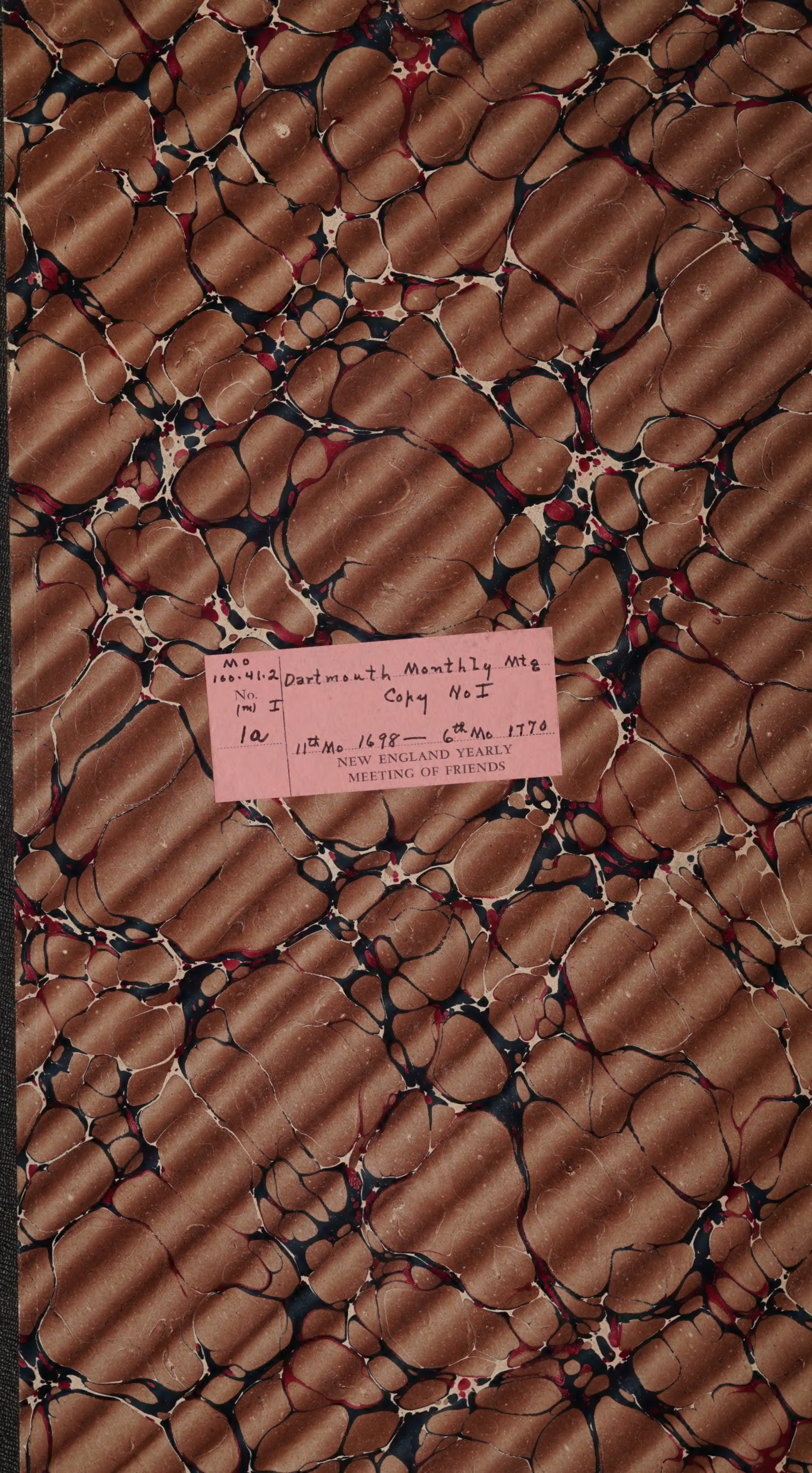

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John Tucker	10 — 00 — 00
Peleg Slocum	15 - 00 - 00
John Lapham	5 - 00 - 00
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Increas Allen	3 - 12 - 00
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Judah Smith	1 - 00 - 00

Further Contribution

At A monthly meeting of friends at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 26th of the 4th mo 1699 it was Agreed that there Should be a further Contribution towards the defraying the Charge of building the meeting house and there was Subscribed 12^{l}-18^{s}-00^{d}

[illegible]

At A Monthly Meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 24th of the 5^{m} 1699 John Headly and Mary Slocum did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and the meeting Chose John Lapham and Jacob Mott to make inquiry about their Clearness Concerning marriage and bring in their answer to the next Monthly Meeting

1699 At A monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 21st of the 6m 1699 and this meeting Called upon John Lapham and Jacob Mott for to give in their answer Concerning John Headly and Mary Slocum their Clearness Concerning marriage, - their answer is that they find nothing that may hinder their proceeding: and John Headly and Mary Slocum also Came this Second time Still Signifying their intention of - and desired their answer and this meeting finding nothing that may hinder their intention they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage according to the good order of truth: and Valentine Huddleston and Nathaniel Howland are Chosen to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Rhode Island:

R. I. Quarterly [illegible] An account of the Quarterly meetings at Rhode Island is, the first third day of the first month, and the first third day of the fourth month, and the first third day of the Seventh month, and the first third day of the tenth month.

At A monthly meeting holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 18th of the 7m 1699
There was inquiry made if there was any business, and there was propounded Something Concerning Suffering for not training, and it was agreed that they should try for something from under the Clerk's hand and bring the return to the next monthly meeting.

Eighth mo [illegible]

At A monthly meeting of holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 13th of the 9m 1699
[illegible] It is agreed that our fourth day meeting next before our monthly meeting is to be Kept at Acoaxet one day at Stephen Willcocks, next at James Tripps, and so by turn continuing this ensuing winter.

At A monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 11th of the 10m 1699.
There was inquiry made whether there was any business, and no business appeared.

At a monthly Meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 8th day of the $\frac{m}{11}$ 1699
and there was Contributed Sixteen Shillings and eightpence, whereof fifteen Shillings were paid for a book for the use of the meeting for the recording births marriages and deaths of friends

record book

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 5th of the $\frac{m}{12}$ 1699
John Lapham Junr and Mary Russell did lay their intention of marriage before this meeting - and Nathaniel Howland and Abraham Tucker are Chosen to Enquire into their Clearness Concerning marriage and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

[illegible] intentions

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 4th of the $\frac{m}{1}$ 1700
And this meeting Called upon Nathaniel Howland and Abraham Tucker for to give in their answer Concerning John Lapham Junr and Mary Russell their Clearness Concerning marriage, - their answer is that they find nothing that may hinder their proceedings and John Lapham Junr and Mary Russell also Came this Second time still Signifying their intention in marriage and desire their answer - and this meeting finding nothing that may hinder intention they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage according to the good order of truth, and Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are Chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 1st of the $\frac{m}{2}$ 1700
It is agreed that the fourth day meeting at Accoaxet Shall Continue there till the meeting see Cause to remove it

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 29th of the $\frac{m}{2}$ 1700
It is further agreed that there be a further Contribution towards the finishing of our meeting house
And there was Subscribed 8-12-00

Further [illegible] contribution [illegible] the [illegible]

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 27th of the 3th month 1700
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[illegible] to Yearly [illegible]

1700 At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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and the answer was - none.

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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and no business appeared.

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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and no business did appear.

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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and no business did appear

At a monthly Meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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At a monthly Meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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Inquiry was made if there was any business -
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At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum
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Meeting for their answer - and Peleg Slocum and
Stephen Wilcocks were Chosen to inspect into their
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1700 At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 3rd of the 12mo 1700
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1701 At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum 3rd of the 1mo 1701 –
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At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 31st of the 1mo 1701
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At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 28th of the 2mo 1701 –
and no business did appear.

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 26th of the 3mo 1701 –
and Nathaniel Howland and John Tucker were Chosen to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Peleg Slocum and Jacob Mott were Chosen to attend the Yearly meeting next.

At a monthly meeting holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 23rd of the 4mo 1701 –
and no business did appear.

At a monthly meeting holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 21st of the 5mo 1701
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At a monthly meeting holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 18th of the 6mo 1701
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At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 15th of the 7mo 1701
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1701 At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 13th of the 8mo 1701
and no business appeared

At a monthly Meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 10th of the 9mo 1701
and no business appeared

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 8th of the 10mo 1701
no business appeared

At a Monthly Meeting of friends holden at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 5th of the 11mo 1701
no business appeared

At a monthly meeting of friends held at Peleg Slocum's house in Dartmouth the 2nd of the 12th month 1701
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1702 At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 2nd of the first month 1702
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At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 30th of the first month 1702
and inquiry being made and no business appeared.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 27th of the 2mo 1702
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At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum In Dartmouth the 25th of the 3mo 1702
About Oaths Whereas there is a Concern about friends Serving in Office as Jurymen and other offices where as at present we cannot be admitted to Serve without Swearing it is therefore agreed by this meeting that friends Should

make their redress to the General Court at Boston for Relief. And Benjamin Howland and Stephen Wilcocks are Chosen to attend the next Quarterly meeting – and Jacob Mott and John Tucker are Chosen to attend the Yearly Meeting

Petition to Governor

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 22nd of the 4mo 1702
Nathaniel Howland and John Tucker were Chosen for to go to deliver our petition to the Govenor at Boston

Representation for Sippican

And Isaac Henson and Timothy Davis appeared for the Sipican Meeting
And William Wood and Eleazer Smith are Chose to make Inquiry into James Tripp his Clearness Concerning marriage and to bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum In Dartmouth the 20th of the 5mo 1702 –
and the meeting reckoned with Thomas Brightman for keeping the meeting house and paid him for the Same – and the making up the accounts with the meeting is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 17th of the 6mo 1702 –
Jacob Mott and Peleg Slocum were Chose for to attend the Quarterly Meeting next

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 14th of the 7th mo 1702

Petition to Assembly

Nathaniel Howland and John Tucker are Chosen to go to the Assembly for to Speak to our petition

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 12th of the 8th mo 1702

Epistle

The Yearly meeting Epistle from our friends in London was read to the Comfort of friends

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 9th of the 9th mo 1702

Chapman
Deliverance
Slocum
intention

Ralph Chapman and Deliverance Slocum laid their Intention of marriage before this Meeting and they wer desired to wait till the next meeting for their answer. And William Soul and Benj. Howland were Chosen to See into their Clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting – and

1702 Benjamin Howland and John Tucker were Chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 7th of the 10th mo 1702
Ralph Chapman and Deliverance Slocum appeared the Second time for their Answer - and things being Clear their answer was that they might take each other when they see convenient in the order of truth -
Providence [illegible] And this meeting refers the matter concerning the building a meeting house at Providence to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the 4th of the 11th mo 1702
Meeting house at [illegible] Jacob Mott and Eleazer Slocum are Chosen to agree with Rhode Island meeting about building a meeting house at Providence - And Deliverance Smith
House at Apponegansett to be enlarged William Soul, Eleazer Smith and Abraham Tucker are Chosen to agree with a Carpenter to build an addition to the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the first day of the 12th mo 1702-3
N Chase [illegible] Nathaniel Chase and Abigail Shearman did lay their Intention of marriage before the meeting - and they were desired to wait for their answer until the next monthly meeting And Nathaniel Howland and Eleazer Slocum were Chosen to Inspect into their Clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum in Dartmouth the first day of the 1st mo 1703
Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are Chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next
And Nathaniel Howland and Eleazer Slocum brought in their answer concerning Nathaniel Chase and Abigail Shearman that they find nothing that may hinder their Intentions of marriage and the abovesaid Nathaniel Chase and Abigail Sherman appeared the second time desiring an answer - and their being clear the answer of the meeting was that they might proceed to take Each other in the order of truth.

1703 At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum
in Dartmouth the 29th of the first month 1703
and inquiry being made no business appeared.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum
In Dartmouth the 26th of the Second month 1703
and there was no business.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the house of Peleg Slocum
[illegible] In Dartmouth the 24th of the 3rd mth 1703
[illegible] and our monthly meeting is ordered to be kept at our meeting house
[illegible] And Jacob Mott Nathaniel Howland and John Tucker are chosen
[illegible] to Attend the Quarterly meeting and Yearly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 21st of the 4th mth 1703
[illegible] Joseph Russell Junr and Mary Tucker laid their Intentions of
[illegible] marriage before this meeting — and they were desired to tarry
[illegible] for their answer till the next monthly meeting
Eleazer Slocum and Nathaniel Howland are chosen
to Inspect Into their Clearness and bring in their
answer to the next monthly meeting —
nine Shillings and fourpence received for books and 10 books remain

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 19th of the 5th mth 1703.
Joseph Russell Junr and Mary Tucker Came the second
time for their answer as to their former Intention of marriage
and things being Clear they had their answer that
they might proceed to take Each other in the good order
Overseers. of truth — and Jacob Mott John Tucker and Benjamin
Howland are Chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversation
of Such as profess truth

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in
Dartmouth the 16th of the 6th mth 1703
Stephen Wilcocks and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to attend
the Quarterly meeting next.
[illegible] And Eleazer Slocum and Eleazer Smith are chosen to attend
[illegible] the Yearly meeting at Salem next.
[illegible] And the business concerning Ebenezer Allin his not being here is referred
to the next monthly meeting, — And John Lapham and
William Wood are Chosen to Inspect into the lives and
Conversation of friends for this following month

1703 At a monthly Meeting of friends held at our Meeting house in Dartmouth the 13th of 7th mth 1703
Jacob Mott and Benjamin Howland were chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting and Peleg Slocum and William Soule are chosen to Inspect into the lives and conversation of friends this month following

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 11th of the 8th mth 1703
John Lapham and Deliverance Smith are chosen to Enspect into the report concerning Ebenezer Allin's beating and abusing of an Indian and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting –
and John Tucker and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to Speak with Thomas Briggs about his being offended with some for reporting that he kept a rude house and to bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting, and they are also apoynted to Inspect into the lives and Conversation of friends for this following month

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 8th of the 9th mth 1703
[illegible] William Bourn and Hannah Shearman did lay their Intentions of marriage before this meeting, and they were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. –
Benjamin Howland and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to Inspect into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting. –
Peleg Slocum and Increas Allin are chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversation of friends the following month

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 6th of the 10th mth 1703
and the friends that were chosen, to wit. John Lapham and Deliverance Smith to Inspect into the difference between Ebenezer Allin and an Indian called Jeremiah were called to give in their answer – and their answer is that they find that Ebenezer Allin did beat and abuse the said Indian as the report was – and after friends had long labored In Love and tenderness to show him the said Allin his rashness and Eror he did at last condem it, and say that he was sorry for it.
Peleg Slocum and Abraham Tucker are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting

1703 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the third day of the 11th mth 1703
William Wood, Deliverance Smith and John Tucker are chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversation of friends for the following month

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the one and thirtyeth day of the 11th mth 1703 and there was no business appeared

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the twenty third of the twelfth month 1703
Peleg Slocum Nathaniel Howland and Increas Allien are to attend the next Quarterly meeting - and Eleazer Slocum John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are chosen to Inspect into the business betwixt Josiah Merehew and John Fish and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting
William Wood Nathaniel Howland and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of friends for this month Insuing.
And the business Concerning Thomas Gachel is Referred to the next monthly meeting that if any friend have any thing upon his mind to labor further with him they may have time to clear themselves and truth of him.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 27th of the first month 1704
This meeting hath made up their accounts with Eleazer Smith for his work about the meeting house and have paid him
John Russell and Rebecca Ricketson intention And John Russell and Rebecca Rickelson did lay their Intention of marriage before this meeting and they were desired to tarry until the next monthly meeting for their answer
Nathaniel Howland and William Soul are chosen for to Inspect into their Clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting and to Inquire into Henry Tucker his Clearness Concerning marriage and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting -
and Stephen Wilcocks Deliverance Smith and Benjamin Howland are Chosen for to go to John Fish and his wife to labor further with them to Show them their Shortness In Speaking rash words to Josiah Merihew

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 24th of ye Second month 1704
John Russell and Rebecca Ricketson Came for their answer and things being Clear the meeting's answer was that they

1704 might proceed according to their Intentions and take each
other In the order of truth –
and John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are chosen
to draw up Something Concerning Thomas Gatchel his
disorderly walking

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 22nd of the third month 1704
Jonathan Devol William Soul John Lapham and
Josiah Smith and Robert Gifford are chosen to
hear and determine the difference between Nathaniel
Howland and John Peckham.
and Jacob Mott Increas Allin and Stephen Wilcocks
are Chosen to hear and determine the difference
between Eleazer Smith and Nathaniel Howland.
And Peleg Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to
attend the Quarterly meeting next.
Representatives and Nathaniel Howland and John Tucker are chosen
to Yearly meeting to attend the yearly meeting at Rhode Island.
[illegible] And Peleg Slocum Increas Allin Benjamin Howland
John Tucker James Tripp and William Wood are chosen
to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of friends
for the half year Insuing.
And Jacob Mott Increas Allin and Stephen Wilcocks
have ended the difference between Eleazer Smith
and Nathaniel Howland.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 19th of ye 4th mth 1704
Eliashib Smith Eliashib Smith and Dinah Allin of Sandwich did lay
[illegible] their Intention of marriage before the meeting
[illegible] And Benjamin allin and Deborah Russell did lay their
Intention of marriage before the meeting –
Allin and they were all desired to stay until the next
[illegible] monthly meeting for their answer – and William Soul
[illegible] and John Lapham are chosen to Inspect Into their
clearness and bring in their answer to the next
monthly meeting.
John Lapham William Soul Deliverance Smith
Jacob Mott Eleazer Slocum and William Wood
are chosen to hear the difference between Ebenezer
Allin and Nathaniel Howland And to End the same
and the six friends above named have heard
determined and Ended the abovesaid difference
between Ebenezer Allin and Nathaniel Howland

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th of the 5th mth 1704
and the Six friends that were chosen last third month to hear and determine the difference between Nathaniel Howland and John Peckham and their answer is that they have heard determined and Ended Said difference

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the twenty first day of the 6th mth 1704

Represent[illegible] to [illegible] at [illegible]

Intention of Eliashib Smith & Dinah Allin Benjamin Allin Deborah Russell.

Peleg Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to attend Salem yearly meeting — and Stephen Wilcocks and Benjamin Howland are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next at Rhode Island — and Eliashib Smith and Dinah Allin and Benjamin Allin and Deborah Russell came to this meeting and desired answer to their former Intentions Signifying they were still of the same mind — and friends finding things clear the answer to them all was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage according to the good order of truth and that when young people first lay their Intention of marriage before the monthly meeting that they have their parents consent first — and John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to agree with a friend to keep the meeting house this ensuing year and Eleazer Slocum and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to further labor with John Summers to show him his Error.
Here followeth a Copy of the abovesaid Dinah Allin's Certificate
Whereas Dinah Allin desired of this meeting a Certificate of her Clearness from any man Concerning marriage these are to Signifie to any men and woman's meeting where these may Come that Dinah Allin abovesaid is as far as we can understand clear from any engagement in marriage to any man
This from our men and womans meeting at William Allin's In Sandwich this 5th day of 6th mth 1704

William Allin	John Goodsped	Mary Wing
Robert Harpar	Priscilla Allin	Bathsheba Allin
Zeriah Jenkens	Mary Gifford	Lydia Dillingham
John Wing	Mary Hoxey.	Rest Perry
James Mills	Abiah Jenkins	Deborah Wing
Daniel Allin	Mary Bowerman	Dorothy Butler
Sarah Cilla		

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 8th of ye 7th month 1704

Representatives to Yearly meeting at [illegible]

Eleazer Smith and Benjamin Howland are chosen to attend the yearly meeting at Situate
William Soule Nathaniel Howland Stephen Wilcocks

1704 and John Tucker are chosen to write answer to the letter that was Sent from Old England to this meeting concerning John Summers - And John Lapham John Richardson Deliverance Smith Stephen Wilcocks and Peleg Slocum are chosen to Speak with Ebenezer Allin concerning his disorderly Speeches at the town house Peleg Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to labor further with John Fish and his wife for to condemn their Speaking to Josiah Merihew as they did concerning a bill.

Omission.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 20th day of the 9th mth 1704
the difference about John Fish is refered to the next meeting Whereas there is a difference between Ebenezer Allin and Nathaniel Howland, the meeting makes choice of Jonathan Devolland William Wood John Lapham Judah Smith Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum to End all differences between them, lands Excepted, and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting -

[illegible] And the meeting desired our friends Richard Estes and his brother Mathew Estes to Speak with Daniel Zacharies to know the Charge which he hath been at about the prisoners - and Eleazer Slocum and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to attend the Quarterly Meeting next Benjamin Howland and William Wood are chosen to End the difference between Christopher Gifford and his wife and John Kerby and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th of the 10th mth 1704
the business about John Fish and his wife is refered to the next monthly meeting - and the Judgement concerning Ebenezer Allin and Nathaniel Howland is Refered to the next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Friends at Acoaxet have desired to have the first day meeting for this winter amongst themselves Except the first day before the monthly meeting and it is granted, and their weekly meeting to be on the fifth day of the week.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th of the 11th mth 1704

This meeting having received a letter from Richard and Mathew Estes Concerning what Daniel Zacharies hath been out about the prisoners and he hath kept no account so this meeting desires the prisoners to draw up an account and bring it in to the next monthly meeting. — and James Burril and Mehetable Russell widow did lay their Intentions of marriage before the meeting — and they were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer — and Peleg Slocum and John Tucker are Chosen to Inspect into their Clearness and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting —

[illegible]

And this meeting doth take up with what John Fish and wife hath given In Condemning what they said to Josiah Merihew about a bill and that it be passed by and no more said about it — and Eleazer Slocum and John Lapham the Younger are chosen to Inspect into John Smith's Clearness in order that he may have a certificate both of his life and Conversation and also of his Clearness Concerning marriage.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 19th of the 12th mth 1704

James Burril and Mehetable Russell widow Came before this meeting for answer to their Intentions laid before the last monthly meeting Signifying they were Still of the Same mind — And friends finding things Clear they had their answer that they might proceed and take each other in the order of truth — and also care hath been taken for her former husband's child and the Estate Secured for him.

Peter Easton and Content [illegible]

And Peter Easton of Newport on Rhode Island and Content Slocum of Dartmouth did lay their Intentions of marriage before the meeting and they were desired to stay until the next monthly meeting for an answer.

William Soule and John Lapham jun^{r} are chosen to Inspect into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting — and Peleg Slocum and Benjamin Howland are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next — and Eleazer Smith and Peleg Slocum are chosen to attend the yearly meeting at Sandwich —

Representa[illegible]

Copy of John Smith's Certificate

These are to Satisfy all friends where these may Come — that our friend John Smith having a desire for some time to go to Sea, and now having a Suitable opportunity for an employ with our friend Matthew Estes, the Said John Smith did lay his design before our last monthly meeting that he might have the meeting's Consent, and friends having considered of it and Seeing nothing that may justly hinder him he having Such an opportunity for an employ for a livelyhood, and we Can give this further testimony Concerning him that he hath been a man of a Sober life and Conversation

amongst us and hath walked as becometh the truth
and also that he is clear from all women Concerning
marriage

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1705 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 19th of the first mth 1705
Peter Easton and Content Slocum appeared the second
time before this meeting to receive answer to their proposals
laid before the last Monthly meeting
An Inquiry being made into their clearness and nothing
appearing to hinder their Intentions the meeting give them
an answer that they might proceed to take each other in the
order of truth — and Increas Allin William Wood and James Burril
are chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of friends
for this Insuing month

Peter Easton's certificate And here followeth the Copy of Peter Easton's Certificate from the
monthly meeting at Rhode Island

Whereas Peter Easton of Newport
on Rhode Island son of Weston and Rebecca Clark of said
Newport hath as wee understand by the approbation of
his said parents desired a certificate of us, to say the
monthly meeting of dicipline, he being in pursuance of marriage
as wee understand with Content the daughter of Peleg Slocum
and Mary his wife of Dartmouth, these are therefore to certify
all whom it may concern — that wee having made Enquiry
according to truth and find nothing to the contrary but that
he is clear of Entanglement with any woman so far as wee
know Except said Content, and as for his conversation
for time past hath been sober according to truth and
seems well Inclined and frequents friends meetings both
of worship and dicipline and wee have nothing to object
against his inclination according to his proposal and
wee desire his welfare and Remaine your friends
in the truth — Signed by order and appointment of our
monthly men's meeting at Newport on Rhode Island
the 27th of the twelveth month 1704/5

Daniel Gould
Jacob Mott
Walter Clark
John Allin
John Easton Senr

Thomas Cornell
John Borden
William Barker
William Anthony
Preserved Fish

Thomas Hicks
Samuel Hicks
John Hedley
William Freeborne
Samuel Easton

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 16th of the second month 1705
James Burril Increas Allin and William Wood
are chosen to Inspect into the lives and conversations
of them that profess truth.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the twenty first day of the third month 1705 James Burril Increas Allin and William Wood are chosen to make Inquiry Into the lives and conversations of them that profess truth — and whereas there is a complaint by Christopher Gifford to this meeting Concerning William Macomber's wronging him. — whereupon the meeting made choice of John Tucker Peleg Slocum and Deliverance Smith to hear and Inspect into the truth of the abovesaid Complaint and Give In their answer to the next monthly meeting —

And the Six friends that were chosen to End the difference between Ebenezer Allin and Nathaniel Howland have given In their determination that Ebenezer Allin is to blame for not rating himself for money that he had at once. —

And Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are chosen to attend the next Yearly meeting —

And Ebenezer Allin not being Satisfied with the Judgement of the meeting doth appeal to the Quarterly meeting for a further hearing which is granted — and that all the papers that Ebenezer Allin hath given In concerning said difference are to be delivered to John Tucker for him to deliver to the Quarterly meeting as there may be occasion.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th of the 4th mth 1705

The three friends were called upon that were chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of them that profess truth — and their answer is — they find nothing but things are well. —

And the same are continued for this Ensuing month.

And Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are chosen to make search whether Christopher Gifford hath had gospel order and due admonition given him; and if they find he had — then they are to draw up his Condemnation against the next monthly meeting —

And Peleg Slocum, Deliverance Smith, John Tucker, John Lapham, William Soul, and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to hear and determine the difference between William Macomber and Christopher Gifford and give in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And Peleg Slocum and Benjamin Howland are chosen to go to Sipican to Know the reason why they have not attended the monthly meeting — and give in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 16th of the 5th mth 1705

The three friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to Inspect into the lives and conversations of friends were called

1705 upon and their answer was that they find nothing but that things are pretty well - and the Same three friends are Continued for this ensuing month -

And Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks James Burriel and John Tucker are Chosen to inquire In to Jacob Mott's Clearness In order that he may have a Certificate drawn against the next monthly meeting -

And the two friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to go to Sipican are Still Continued to perform the Same Service.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 20th day of the 6th mth 1705

Edw Perry and Eliphel Smith Intention — Edward Perry of Sandwich and Eliphel Smith daughter of Eleazer Smith of Dartmouth did lay their Intentions of marriage before this meeting and friends desire them to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer and Eleazer Slocum is chosen to Inquire into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And William Wood Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are Chosen to Inspect Into the lives and Conversations of friends for this ensuing month.

And Abraham Tucker and Benjamin Howland are Chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting.

Yearly meeting at Sa[illegible] — Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are Chosen to attend the Yearly meeting at Salem.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the Seventeenth day of Seventh month 1705

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are chosen to know the Reason why some of our friends at Rochester have deserted our meeting of discipline and give in their answer to the next monthly meeting - and Edward Perry and Eliphel Smith appeared the Second time In order to receive answer to their proposals laid before the last monthly meeting Signifying they were Still of the Same mind - and Inquiry being made according to the order of truth and nothing appearing to hinder their Intentions they had their answer from this meeting that they might proceed according to their Intentions and take Each other In the order of truth - And William Wood Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of friends for this Ensuing month -

[illegible] — Stephen Wilcock Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to attend Scituate meeting.

Here followeth the Copy of Edward Perrys certificate concerning his clearness in marriage

To our friends and Brethren at Dartmouth wee send greeting. –

Certificate for Edw- Perry [illegible]

Whereas our friend Edward Perry appeared at our last monthly meeting and did desire of us a certificate of his clearness in marriage, in order thereunto friends appointed two friends to Inquire into his clearness and having made Inquiry and do not find anything but that he is clear from any Ingagement with any woman here,

Therfore these are to Signify that wee have unity with him and desire his welfare and Remain your friends and brethren In the unchangeable truth.

Sandwich the Seventh of the 7th mth 1705

William Allin
Ludwick Hoxie
Daniel Allin
John Dillingham
Stephen Harpar
Thomas Bowerman

Richard Landers
John Wing
Mary Perry
Mary Wing
Priscilla Allin
Mary Hoxie

Abiah Jenkins
Lydia Dillingham
Ann Holway
Rest Perry - Hannah Gifford
Dorothy Butler
Experience Bowerman

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th mth 1705

Assistance desired for a meeting house at Salem

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are still continued to speak with Sipican friends according to the appointment of the last monthly meeting – and a paper also was read in this meeting Concerning building of a meeting house at Salem Wherein they desire some assistance from our monthly meeting whereupon this meeting took it into their consideration in order to return friends an Answer as Soon as conveniently friends Can – And it is proposed that friends Should have a collection Every monthly meeting for to defray the necessary charges that may arise amongst friends.

And Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and Benjamin Howland are chosen and added to John Tucker to peruse the monthly meeting minutes and what they shall think convenient to order them to be committed to Record.

John Tucker William Wood and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to Inspect into the lives and conversations of friends.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 19th of the 9th mth 1705

[illegible] [illegible]

And whereas it was proposed the last monthly meeting that friends Should have a monthly Collection and this meeting considering the proposals and finding it Convenient and necessary do agree that there Should be a Collection Every monthly meeting – and there is Collected .. $\overset{l}{00} - \overset{s}{13} - \overset{d}{00}$

Deed of [illegible]

And it is agreed by this meeting that Stephen Wilcocks Abraham Tucker William Soule John Lapham Jun^r and John Tucker are chosen to get a deed of our meeting house and land of Peleg Slocum against the next monthly meeting –

Benj Howland [illegible]

And Benjamin Howland is chosen to keep the Collection of friends and to Disburse it as the meeting may See Cause –

1705 And it is agreed that friends on the other side Acoaxet river should have their meeting as they had it the last winter

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th of ye 10th mth 1705
There was collected ... $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{8}$
And the friends that were chosen to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of them that profess truth were called upon to give an account how they find things - and their answer is that they find things pretty well.
And this meeting hath an account of a difference between John Summers and Jonathan Devol and that the said Summers refuseth to End it according to the good order of truth - whereupon the meeting chose James Burril and Eleazer Slocum to advise John Summers to submit to the order of truth and put an End to said difference against the next monthly meeting.
Increas Allin Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to inspect into the lives and Conversations of friends for the month ensuing.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the one and twentieth day of the 11th mth 17 5/6
The three friends were called over that were chosen the last monthly meeting to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of friends and their answer is they find things not well - And John Lapham and James Burril are chosen and added to the former two friends to labor to put things in order against the next monthly meeting
And the former three friends are still continued to Inspect into the lives and Conversations of them that profess truth for this ensuing month.
And John Tiring and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to procure a Copy of Christopher Gifford's Condemnation from the monthly meeting book at Sandwich if there be any to be had.
And there was collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{13}-\overset{d}{7}$

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th of the 12th mth 170$\frac{5}{6}$
There was collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{5}$
[illegible] to [illegible] Peleg Slocum and Benjamin Howland are appointed to see what friends are freely willing to contribute toward the building of a meeting house at Salem.
Increas Allin Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to Inspect into the lives and conversations of friends for the ensuing month.

[illegible] Increas Allin and Deliverance Smith are chosen to attend the Yearly meeting at Sandwich.

And Stephen Wilcocks and Nathaniel Howland are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are chosen to Speak with Hannah Jenney concerning her offering her Self in prayer out of the unity of the meeting.

1706 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th of the first mth 1706
There was Collected £ 0 - s 6 - d 6

[illegible] And it is agreed that friends should have a preparative meeting on the fourth day of the week falling out next before the monthly meeting - after the time of worship is over - to consider of the affairs amongst friends and See what may be convenient to be recommended to the monthly meeting - that So the monthly meeting may not be encumbered with a multitude of unnecessary business - and to choose two or three weighty friends to present the necessary business to the monthly meeting as may be given them in charge by the preparative meeting.

And James Burril and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to Inquire into the Complaint of Christopher Gifford and See if things be out of order to labor to have them amended and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th of the Second month 1706

£10 [illegible] The two friends that were chosen to attend Sandwich Yearly meeting were Called upon and they give us to understand that the Said Yearly meeting desires this meeting to make up our Subscription towards the building a meeting house at Salem ten pounds - and it is concluded that friends Should Consider of it until the next monthly meeting -

And the meeting agreed to lend William Mecomber Jun^r twelve Shillings in money out of the monthly meeting Stock and he is to repay it again on or before the third Second day in the Eighth month next.

Stephen Wilcocks, Eleazer Slocum, Deliverance Smith, and John Tucker are chosen to Speak with Ebenezer Allin Concerning his going to Law with a brother before unbelievers and bring in his answer to the next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Eleazer Slocum and William Soul are chosen to Speak with William Chase Concerning his delivering things by way of testimony in our public assembly of worship on the first day of the week Contrary to Sound doctrine and In Case he will not Condemn it then to make it known to the meeting where he doth belong

1706 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 20th of the third month 1706

And there was collected ^{l}-^{s}-^{d}9

and it is concluded to make our subscription towards the building of Salem meeting house ten pounds.

And the four friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to speak with Ebenezer Allin brought in his answer that he doth justify himself in going to law with Nathaniel Howland for he said that he had gone as far with him as the law of God did require if he did understand what that is— and for as much as the abovesaid Ebenezer Allin and Nathaniel Howland were under dealings of the last yearly meeting at Rhode Island this meeting doth refer him to the next yearly meeting at Rhode Island for the proofs of his aforesaid answer

And John Lapham and John Tucker are chosen to speak with Ebenezer Allin concerning his giving his Daughter in marriage to one of the world contrary to the good order of truth and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to speak with Eleazer Smith concerning his refraining of our meeting

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are chosen to attend the next Quarterly and yearly meeting at Rhode Island

And the manner of Establishing of our meeting house and land is refered to the Quarterly meeting next -

And the matter concerning William Chase's delivering of Doctrine which is unsound is also refered to the abovesaid Quarterly meeting

And it is agreed that the meeting that was kept on the other side Acoaxet river for the winter season on the first day of the week should be at the meeting house for the Summer

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 24th of the 4th month 1706

There was collected 00^{l}-08^{s}-06^{d}

And Stephen Wilcocks Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to speak with Ebenezer Allin concerning his going to Law with Nathaniel Howland and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And John Lapham and John Tucker brought in their answer that Ebenezer Allin will not make satisfaction for his giving and marrying his daughter to one out of the unity of friends

And Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker brought in their answer that they have labored with Eleazer Smith according to order and he has condemned his missteps

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 15th of the 5th mth 1706
Then was Collected $0^{l}-10^{s}-09^{d}$

And the friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to speak with Ebenezer Allin Concerning his going to law Contrary to truth brought in their answer that he will not be reclaimed, but doth willfully persist to his own hurt and to the great trouble of the Church In Justifying himself in his disorderly proceedings- wherefore friends having largely labored with him and finding themselves Clear are Constrained to Cause his Condemnation to be drawn up and Signed by this meeting for the Clearing of the truth and friends of his disorderly walking

And Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to read to Ebenezer Allin his Condemnation and if he will Condemn his outgoings to the Satisfaction of friends then the Condemnation given by this meeting is not to be read in public - but if he refuseth then the Judgement to be openly read the next first day Come two weeks in the latter End of our public meeting of worship

And Peleg Slocum and Benjamin Howland are chosen to go to Rochester to know the reason why they have not attended the monthly meeting and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And this meeting makes choice of Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks Increase Allin and John Tucker to See into the lives and Conversations of friends for the quarter of a year ensuing

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 9th of the 6 mth 1706
and Collected $2^{l}-04^{s}-0^{d}$

Ebenezer Allin disowned, the first [illegible]

Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker Give in their answer that they have Read the judgement of the last monthly meeting to Ebenezer Allin, and he refusing to make Satisfaction the aforesaid judgement was read in public according to the order of the last monthly meeting, as followeth -

Whereas Ebenezer Allin of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol New England having for many years frequented the meeting of us the people in Scorn called Quakers and Seemed to join in Society with us but for want of Keeping in true Subjection to that principle he made profession of, to wit the Spirit of truth in his own heart which Spirit will lead all them that are obedient to it out of Everything that is Contrary to the nature of it and Inconsistent with it he hath given way to his own Inclinations and hath gone to law before unbelievers with one that is in Society with us and notwithstanding all the faithful labor of love and Earnest Endeavors of us his friends as a Society of people to persuade him to the Contrary he hath willfully persisted to the grief of us his friends and

1706 Scandal of that holy principle he made profession of - for which Cause wee find ourselves Concerned to testify to the world that wee do utterly disown all such actions and all who are found In them and particularly the person above named and as it is our Christian duty to pray for all people wee do heartily desire allmighty God to open his understanding if it be his will to give him to see his outgoing that he may find a place of true repentance before the time of his visitation be over -

Given forth by our monthly meeting in Dartmouth the fifteenth day of the first month 1706
Signed in behalf of said meeting by
John Tucker William Soul William Wood
Peleg Slocum John Lapham jun^r James Burril
Benjamin Howland Judah Smith Abraham Tucker
Eleazer Slocum William Macomber Nicholas Howland
Stephen Wilcocks Henry Howland Samuel Mott -

And Peleg Slocum and Benjamin Howland were called upon to know whether they had spoken with Rochester friends according to appointment and they signify that they had labored with them and they did own themselves too short and slack in their duty in that they did not attend the monthly meeting as they ought to have done and for time to come they said they hoped to be more careful.

And Eleazer Slocum is chosen to go with Thomas Macomber to know the truth of what the said Macomber did say and act in the taking his engagement before the justice and return the answer to the next monthly meeting

And whereas Robert Gifford and Matthew Wing did set their hands to a paper to forewarn the select men from making any rates upon their estates except they were qualified as the law directs and the sense of the meeting is that what they have done is Contrary to truth.

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held at our Meeting house In Dartmouth the 16^th of the 7^th m^th 1706

And there was collected 00 - $\overset{s}{10}$ - $\overset{d}{04}$

Contribution for Isaac Vinson (house having been burned)

And it is agreed that there should be a Contribution to help Isaac Vinson of Rochester his house being Accidentally burned and to bring it in to John Tucker by the next fifth day come week.

And John Tucker and John Lapham jun^r are chosen to carry the same to the said Vinson.

Peleg Slocum and James Burril are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

John Tucker Stephen Wilcocks Benjamin Howland and James Burril are chosen to go to Thomas Macomber to see if he will give the meeting satisfaction for his

Speaking or acting things not agreable to truth and give in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And the meeting adjourned until the next fourth day Come week.

Connecticut
Law against
Friends

And it is agreed that wee should have a collection to help to defray the charge that our friends have been at in Old England to get that Law Repealed that was made in Connecticut Colony against friends.

Meeting
House Deed
to be recorded

And John Tucker is chosen to get the deed of our meeting-house and land Recorded in the County Records and the meeting to pay the charge.

Burying
Ground to
be laid out.

And it is agreed that there should be a piece of land of Six Roods Square fenced in with Stone wall for a burying ground

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the one and twentith day of the 8th mth 1706 and there was Collected 00-10-01

And It is agreed that there should be a further collection towards the Relief of our friend at Rochester who hath lost his house by fire as is mentioned in the last monthly meeting minute - and to bring it in to John Tucker by the next monthly meeting.

Contribution
towards re
[illegible]
pealing law
[illegible]

And wheras it was agreed at the last monthly meeting that there should be a collection to help to defray the charge of Repealing of a Law made against friends in Connecticut Colony and this meeting doth also agree that Benjamin Howland should pay five pounds out of the meetings stock toward the defraying of the aforesaid charge

And William Chase hath given this meeting Satisfaction concerning the doctrine that was delivered by him amongst us at our meeting house some time since which was unsound and his Confession to be read amongst us in public meeting the next first day by John Tucker or some other friend.

And the meeting adjourned till the next fourth day Come week.

John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks have given in their answer that they have labored with Thomas Macomber according to the order of the last monthly meeting and he gives no Satisfaction - and friends are yet concerned to labor further with him and so the matter is refered to the next monthly meeting -

And John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are chosen to Speak with Matthew Wing and Robert Gifford to shew them their Shortness in Setting their hands to a paper to forewarn the Select men from rating their Estates Except they were Qualified as the Law directs which is contrary to the principles of truth,

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th day of the 9th mth 1706

And there was Collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{11}$

And received of William Macomber Junr three Shillings of the twelve Shillings in money lent him the last Second month and Peleg Slocum

1706 is to pay the rest — And Benjamin Howland hath sent five pounds in money to Boston according to the order of the last monthly meeting.

And it is agreed that Acoaxet friends should have their first day meeting on the other side the river for this winter all Except the first day before Each monthly meeting — and their weekly meeting is ordered to be at the meeting house the fourth day before the monthly meeting

And this meeting hath been much concerned about Thomas Macomber's denying his holding up his hand when he gave Evidence in the case between Joseph Hicks and himself and the friends that were appointed to deal with him give in this answer that the said Macomber doth Justify himself against five Evidences given in writing against him

And John Tucker Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to draw up the abovesaid Thomas Macomber's Condemnation and Read it to him before the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks give in their answer concerning Matthew Wing and Robert Gifford that they condemn their signing the aforementioned paper

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 16th day of the 10th mth 1706

There was collected — $\overset{l}{00} - \overset{s}{11} - \overset{d}{09}$

And this meeting after abundance of Labor in love and much tenderness towards Thomas Macomber to shew him his outgoings. but he refusing to hear, the meeting is further concerned to cause a paper of Condemnation to be drawn up against him for the clearing of truth and friends — and to declare to the world that he is none of us — and have chosen Peleg Slocum and Eleazer Slocum to Read it to him before it be read in public against him and give in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And William Soul and Peleg Slocum are chosen to attend the Quarterly Meeting next

Friends advised to bring children and servants to meeting.

And this meeting doth advise that all friends bring their children and servants as often as well they can to meeting on the weekdays and to monthly meetings as well as first day meetings and to keep to the hour appointed

And John Tucker and William Soul are chosen to make up the accounts with Benjamin Howland concerning the monthly meeting collection and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting

And so the meeting adjourns until the first fourth day in the 11th mth next

The meeting being met according to adjournment the first day of the Eleventh month 170 6/7

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 20th of the 11th mth 1706/7

And then was collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{15}-06$

Establishment of a Youth's Meeting

And Peleg Slocum and William Soul make their return from the Quarterly meeting that the Quarterly meeting according to our request hath granted us a youth's meeting to be kept the first sixth day in the second, fifth, Eighth and Eleventh months which will fall out the sixth day next before Each Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island

John Tucker and William Soule are called upon concerning their making up the accounts with Benjamin Howland concerning our collection and it not being done it is refered to the next monthly meeting

And whereas then is a difference presented to the meeting concerning Jonathan Devoll and John Summers - the meeting makes choice of Deliverance Smith Nathaniel Howland Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker to hear and determine said difference and give their answer to the next monthly meeting

And Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood are chosen to speak with James Tripp concerning his being overtaken in drink and bring their answer to the next monthly meeting

Deed.

James Burril Eleazer Slocum and Benjamin Howland are chosen to labor with Peleg Slocum that he may join with friends and sign a deed In the method that Thomas Story hath sent to us and bring In their answer to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 17th of the 12th mth 1706/7

There was collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{05}$

Overseers.

Increas Allin and Eleazer Slocum are chosen Overseers of the monthly meetings of Business that if any should present themselves at said meetings that are not members of them - then to inquire of them their business and if they cannot give a satisfactory answer then to desire them in love to withdraw.

William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks give in their answer that they have spoken with James Tripp and he is willing to condemn his being overtaken in drink to the satisfaction of friends - and the abovesaid two friends William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks are continued to go with James Tripp to see that he doth condemn it where it was done

And Benjamin Howland Eleazer Slocum and Samuel Mott are chosen to speak with Eleazer Smith concerning his reporting of things out of the monthly meeting, the which is Inconsistent with truth - and concerning his outrunnings upon other accounts, and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in
Dartmouth the 17th of the first month 1707

And there is collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{10}$

1707 And the Business Concerning James Tripp is Refered to the next monthly meeting - William Soul and John Tucker hath made up the accounts with Benjamin Howland Concerning the monthly meetings Collection and have balanced the accounts and there Remains in Stock with what hath been Collected at this meeting fortytwo shillings

And Samuel Mott and Benjamin Howland are chosen to shew Eleazer Smith his shortness in accusing Eleazer Slocum and William Wood for going Contrary to the monthly meeting's order in going together to Seconet when Eleazer Slocum was chosen to go with Thomas Macomber thither - and make their Return to the next monthly meeting

And Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are chosen to attend the next Quarterly meeting

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay Judah Smith twenty shillings out of the meetings stock towards his keeping of the meeting house

Recorder to be employed. [illegible] And this meeting doth order the four friends that were chosen to peruse the monthly meeting minutes that they make choice of a man to Record the meeting business and the meeting to pay him for his Service

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting In Dartmouth the 21st of the Second month 1707
There was Collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{00}$

And whereas Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood were chosen the last twelfth month to go with James Tripp to see that he did Condemn his being overtaken In drink in the place where it was done and their answer is that he has Condemned it to the Satisfaction of friends-

And Benjamin Howland and Samuel Mott brought in their answer that they have labored with Eleazer Smith to shew him his mistake concerning William Wood and Eleazer Slocum according to order of last monthly meeting-

And their answer is that he refuseth to hear

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 19th of the third month 1707
And there was Collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{05}$

And John Tucker, Eleazer Slocum and Benjamin Howland are chosen to further labor with Eleazer Smith to come to be reconciled to the meeting-and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

Doctor's bill for a poor friend. And Benjamin Howland is ordered to let John Lapham Junr have twelve shillings out of the Collection to pay the doctor for what he did for Deborah Landers in the time of her sickness.

And it is ordered that the first day meeting at Acoaxet is to be at our meeting house for the Summer.

And Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are chosen to

Speak with Rochester friends to know the reason why they have not attended the monthly meeting of late and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting — and whereas the Yearly meeting at Rhode Island happeneth to be on the same day that our next monthly meeting should be on therefore the said meeting is adjourned until the fourth second day in the 4th month next —

meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 25rd of the 4th mth 1707 — Collected £00 - s09 - d01

Peleg Slocum and William Soule are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island

And it is agreed that Rochester friends have a preparative meeting after their meeting of worship on the first day of the week before the monthly meeting

Preparative Mtg at Rochest.

And the friends that were chosen for to labor with Eleazer Smith were called upon and their answer is that he refuseth to give the meeting satisfaction for his disorderly proceedings against the monthly meeting — and John Tucker is chosen to draw up Eleazer Smith his condemnation in order that it may be read to him before it be read in public — and William Soule Eleazer Slocum and Samuel Mott are chosen to read the said Condemnation to the said Eleazer Smith and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the one and twentieth day of the fifth month 1707 There was collected 00£ 8s — 01d

And the friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to read Eleazer Smith his condemnation to him were called upon and their answer is that Eleazer Smith is willing to condemn his reporting of things out of the monthly meeting as followeth — Friends I have well considered the matter of that which I told out of the meeting to John Akin and I do heartily repent for the same and desire forgiveness both of God and his people that wee may come into love and unity as wee have been. — Eleazer Smith

And further Eleazer Smith hath given satisfaction to the monthly meeting concerning his wronging the meeting by writing — the which he doth condemn as followeth — Wherein I have given any occasion by writing to the meeting to grieve any sincere hearted friend or friends for which I am heartily sorry and desire forgiveness, — Eleazer Smith

And Stephen Wilcocks, Benjamin Howland, and John Lapham Junr are chosen to speak with Thomas Macomber concerning his abusing Ruth Smith with words — and to End sd difference if they can and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And the friends that were chosen to Inspect into the Conversation of friends were called upon and their answer is that Meribah Slocum

1707 the daughter of Eleazer Slocum is about to marry to one Contrary to her parents' Consent and the advice of friends - whereupon the meeting made Choice of James Burril and Judah Smith to Speak with Meribah Slocum concerning her disorderly proceedings and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And the bounding out the burying ground is refered to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th day of the 6th mth 1707

And there was collected $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{08}$

Isaac Barker & E Slocum intention — And Isaac Barker and Elisabeth Slocum did lay their Intention of marriage before the meeting - and they were desired to Stay until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

John Tucker and William are appointed to inspect into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And the friends that were chosen to Speak with Thomas Macomber Concerning his abusing Ruth Smith with words were Called upon and their answer was that Thomas Macomber does Condemn those words which he Spake to Ruth Smith.

And the friends that were chosen to Speak with Meribah Slocum Concerning her disorderly proceedings towards marriage contrary to the order of friends being Called upon give in their answer, that they had been with her and labored with her according to the good order of truth in love and much tenderness and have received no Satisfactory answer from her - and forasmuch as the Said Meribah hath proceeded no further, at present the matter is refered until further occasion.

And John Tucker and William Soule are chosen to bound out the burying yard by the next monthly meeting

And Judah Smith is paid for his keeping the meeting house And John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to agree with a friend to keep the meeting house for the ensuing year.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th day of the 7th mth 1707

There was collected $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{18}{08}-\overset{d}{05}$

And the two friends that were chosen to inspect Into the clearness of Isaac Barker and Elisabeth Slocum Concerning marriage being Called upon and they give their answer that they find things are not clear - and so the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting that things may be cleared to the Satisfaction of friends.

And Judah Smith hath taken the meeting house to keep for the ensuing year - and the year begun the last monthly meeting and if it prove too hard for him then John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are to be helpful to him in that Service.

And Isaac Barker desires that this meeting would be helpful to him to clear that matter that hinders his proceeding in marriage - and in order thereunto the meeting made choice of William Soule Nathaniel Howland John Lapham junr and Benjamin Howland to assist him and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And John Tucker Peleg Slocum and Stephen Wilcocks are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island next

Committee to maintain order at mtg. house

And the matter concerning choosing of two friends for to speak to people to come orderly Into meeting as soon as convenientty they can after they come to the meeting house and not to stand talking and spending away their time without doors as the manner of some hath been to their own hurt and to the trouble of friends is referred to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 21st day of the 8th mth 1707

There was Collected $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{00}$

And the four friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting for to be helpful to Isaac Barker concerning what did hinder him from having his Answer relating to marriage at the last monthly meeting give in their Answer that the matter is Ended and truth cleared

And Isaac Barker and Elisabeth Slocum came before this meeting desiring an answer to their former Intentions of marriage Signifying they were still of the same mind - and things being clear, they had their answer that they might take Each other in the order of truth

William Soule and Benjamin Howland are chosen to see Isaac Barker and Elisabeth Slocum Solemnise their marriage in the good order of truth

Com. to preserve order at Mtg. House

And John Lapham and John Tucker are chosen to speak to friends, and people that frequent our meeting that they come into meeting and not to hold discourse without in the time of meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th day of the 9th mth 1707

Then was Collected $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{12}-\overset{d}{00}$

Benjamin Howland and William Soule were called upon to give in their answer whether Isaac Barker and Elisabeth Slocum hath solemnized their marriage in the order of truth.

And they answer that they see their marriage acomplished according to order.

And it is agreed that friends at Acoaxet shall have their meeting on the first days amongst themselves all Except the first day before the monthly meeting - and then they are ordered to come to the meeting house

£4 to be raised for Mtg. House at Boston

And it is agreed that friends should have a Subscription of four pounds which was proportioned on our meeting by the Quarterly meeting towards the accomplishing the charge of friends meeting house in Boston - and if the Subscription doth not amount to the abovesaid four pounds then the sum is to be made up out of the monthly meeting Stock

And there is subscribed this day $\overset{£}{02}-\overset{s}{16}-\overset{d}{00}$

1707 Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are chosen to go to Rochester to be helpful to friends there and to instruct them in the order of truth by reading the orders thereof unto them or otherwise as need may require.

And John Tucker is chosen to see the money Collected for Boston meeting house transported to Sandwich Quarterly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th day of the 10th mth 1707

There was Collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{07}-\overset{d}{00}$

Peleg Slocum Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker were Called upon to give in their account whether they had been at Rochester according to appointment of the last monthly meeting and they answer that they have be there and they find things not well there amongst friends - for which occasion the meeting doth still Continue the same three friends and adds unto them Benjamin Howland Eleazer Slocum and Increas Allin to further labor with them to shew them their shortness in not attending the monthly meeting and not observing the order thereof - And John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to draw out the queries and minutes of the Yearly meeting that are suitable to be read amongst the youth.

And the Meeting is adjourned until the next fourth day Come two weeks

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 31st day of the 10th mth 1707

And the money collected the last monthly meeting was according to order delivered to Sandwich Quarterly meeting in order to be sent to Edward Shippey.

And the friends that were chosen to go to Rochester report that they have been there, and friends there have given some satisfaction and signify that they shall endeavor to be more diligent to attend the monthly meeting for the time to come.

Some difference presented to this meeting between John Tucker and Thomas Macomber.

Nathaniel Howland and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to hear said difference and labor to reconcile the matter if they can and make report to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

John Tucker and Peleg Slocum are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 11th mth 1707

There was collected $\overset{l}{00}\ \overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{10}$

And the friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to see to make up the difference between John Tucker and Thomas Macomber and they report that said Macomber is to blame and refuseth to make satisfaction; and it is agreed by this meeting that Thomas Macomber shall pay the twelve shillings demanded and make satisfaction for his contradiction about it - and the same friends are continued and John Lapham is added unto them to tell him the meetings judgement.

[illegible] Han. of Jenney [illegible] labor with

And this meeting doth think it best to further labor with Hannah Jenney Concerning her appearing in public assemblies In prayer, and her disorderly Singing and preaching out of the unity of friends.

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to labor with her and make their return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th of the 12th mth 1707
There was collected $\overset{l}{00}$ $\overset{s}{09}$ - $\overset{d}{06}$

The two friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to speak to Hannah Jenney, give in their answer that they have been with her and she desires time of Consideration until the monthly meeting before the Quarterly meeting next, which is granted.

And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to make up what the women have Collected, twenty Shillings - which is 4 Shillings and 6 pence and pay Judah Smith for his keeping charge of the meeting house half a year

And this meeting agrees to the Quarterly meeting minutes to choose visitors to go with the Overseers to visit the families of friends once in the quarter. -

Overseers & Visitors

Increas Allin John Tucker Peleg Slocum and William Wood are chosen Overseers. - and Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum are chosen Visitors for Dartmouth meeting - and Savery Clifton for Rochester meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th of the first month 1708
Then was Collected $\overset{l}{00}$ - $\overset{s}{08}$ - $\overset{d}{11}$

Dartmouth meeting Called - Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland Appeared - Rochester meeting called - and not appeared

And the friends that were chosen to further labor with Thomas Macomber give in their account that he refuseth to make any satisfaction and the meeting being clear as to further Dealings with said Macomber do appoint Eleazer Slocum and Nathaniel Howland to draw up his Condemnation.

And the friends that were to speak with Hannah Jenney have been with her and she refers herself to the Quarterly meeting of ministers -

And the meeting adviseth that friends go forward and finish their Subscription towards the fencing in the burying ground by the last End of the fourth month next.

Records of Births and Deaths to be kept.

And it is also advised that all friends bring in the births and deaths of their children as soon as Conveniently they Can - to be recorded.

And the meeting is adjourned until the first sixth day in the next month.

And the meeting being met according to adjournment Eleazer Slocum and Nathaniel Howland give in their account that they have drawn up Thomas Macombers Condemnation according to order

1708 which was perused and Signed by this meeting –

And William Wood and William Soule are chosen to Read it to him and if he Still refuseth to make Satisfaction then to read his Condemnation in public the next first day before the Monthly Meeting after the time of worship is over –

John Tucker and Peleg Slocum are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the Second mth 1708

There was Collected $\overset{l}{00} - \overset{s}{12} - \overset{d}{02}$

Dartmouth meeting Called – Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland appeared – Rochester Called – John Summers appeared

Thos Macomber [illegible]

Thomas Macombers Condemnation was Read as followeth

Whereas Thomas Macomber of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England – having for some years frequented the meetings of us the people in Scorn Called Quakers; and Seemed to join Society with us; but for want of Keeping in true subjection to that principle he made profession of to wit, the Spirit of truth in his own heart which Spirit will lead all them that are obedient to it out of Everything that is Contrary to the nature of it and Inconsistent with it, he hath given way to his Covetous mind and hath denied to pay his Debt, but hath denied that it is due though it is proved due by sufficient Evidence, and also the said Thomas Macomber hath been found Contradicting himself – at one time saying they could not make up the accounts – and another time said that he had money of his own implying that he had no need to be indebted but for four Shillings and Six pence – And notwithstanding at that time it is proved that he was asked if he had any money and he Answered no – which he hath also denied and the Said Thomas Macomber at another time Said the accounts was but nine shillings between them – but for want of keeping in Subjection to that divine principle of truth in his own heart and not hearkening to the counsel and advice of his friends who labored with him to Reclaim him from those Evils he was found in; but in a willful Stuborn temper he slighted their advice although given him in love from time to time, therefore is this given forth to clear the blessed truth and us the people of God called Quakers of all such disorderly walkers, wee are constrained and do give this as a testimony against him the said Thomas Macomber and he is denied by us until he repent and Amend which wee earnestly desire for his Souls sake – given forth by our monthly meeting held by adjournment in Dartmouth within the County aboveSaid this Second day of the Second month 1708

Signed in behalf of Said meeting by

Eleazer Slocum
John Lapham
John Tucker
Peleg Slocum
Eleazer Smith
Benjamin Howland
William Soule
James Burrill
Nathaniel Howland
Stephen Wilcocks
Judah Smith
William Wood
John Lapham Junr

And Peleg Slocum and John Tucker give in their account that they have attended the Quarterly meeting according to order

Some difference between Peleg Slocum and Eleazer Slocum and some persons were appointed to hear the said difference which they did but Peleg refuseth to stand to their Determination or to refer himself further whereupon Increas Allin and Abraham Tucker were chosen to labor further with him and tell him that he mayst Either stand to the Judgement already given or refer himself to the monthly meeting and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

First record of represen-tatives from Quarterly to Yearly Mtg

And the Quarterly meeting made choice of Peleg Slocum and John Tucker to attend the Yearly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th day of the 3rd mth 1708

There was Collected $00^{l} - 05^{s} - 02^{d}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland appeared - Rochester Called - Isaac Vinson appeared

Abraham Tucker and Increase Allin brought in their Answer to this meeting, which is, that Peleg Slocum and his brother Eleazer are agreed as to that part depending between them, but forasmuch as Peleg and Eleazer and William Soule did Invest an arbitratory power in John Tucker and some others to hear and determine said difference which depended and they the said John Tucker and others having agreed but Peleg refusing to stand to their award did unadvisedly proceed In bringing said difference to the town meeting over the heads of the arbitrators and without the consent of this meeting the which is Esteemed disorder - and Peleg not willing to be Convinced of the disorderlyness thereof nor willing to come under the judgement of the meeting for the same, but like to entertain hard thoughts of the meeting thinking they do assume a prerogative beyond what is necessary: therefore this meeting and Peleg do agree to choose the following friends to hear the whole matter and if they see cause to make any alteration in the former arbitration by John Tucker and partners they may: but if not then that it shall stand as agreed by them the said arbitrators, and also that the following persons do determine what satisfaction Peleg ought to give to this meeting for his disorderly proceedings over the head of the meeting and that if William Soule and Eleazer Slocum have consented that Peleg should proceed as he has done, then that they shall also give satisfaction to ye meeting for their so doing, but and if said persons hereafter named would think that the meeting or these other friends have injured ye said Peleg then Regulate and determine in that also.

The persons nominated to determine betwixt the abovesaid persons are Joseph Wanton William Barker and Thomas Cornell William Anthony and Abraham Anthony Junr or any two of the latter three or the major part of them to meet with Peleg Slocum and the

1708 arbitrators, at the house of Peleg Slocum next Sixth day in the morning.

And this meeting doth agree that the first day meeting at Acoaxet Shall be at the meeting house for this Summer as formerly.

Stephen Wilcocks Benjamin Howland John Tucker William Soule and Judah Smith or any one of the last two are chosen to peruse the monthly meeting minutes in order that what is necessary may be recorded.

Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood are appointed to
Nantucket procure two hands to go with friends to Nantucket to manage the boat, and the monthly meeting to pay them for their Service

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the twenty first day of the 4 mth 1708

There was Collected $\overset{li}{00}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{00}$

Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood are called upon to give in their account concerning the two men that they procured to go with friends to Nantucket, and their answer was that they have had no account from the men as yet: So they are desired to do it against the next monthly meeting

Meeting house deed. And Benjamin Howland and Abraham Tucker are chosen to Speak with Peleg Slocum to know whether he will give the meeting another deed of the meeting house Land after another form, and Abraham Chace is desired to assist them and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting agrees that the fourth day meeting that happeneth in the week that the Youth's meeting is in, is omitted that the youths meeting may be more fully attended.

And the friends that were appointed the last monthly meeting to hear and determine the difference between Peleg Slocum and his brother Eleazer, and William Soule and also to hear and determine the difference Between said Peleg and the meeting give in their answer to this meeting which is as followeth — pursuant to the Agreement of last monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 3rd mo 1708

Wee: Joseph Wanton, Thomas Cornell, William Barker and Abraham Anthony Junr being assisted by Patrick Henderson: did appear at Peleg Slocum's house when wee met with Peleg Slocum, Eleazer Slocum and William Soule, who did first authorize the following Arbitrators Viz John Tucker, Benjamin Howland, William Wood and Judah Smith whom also wee have had present with us, and after large conference with them ye said Peleg and Eleazer Slocum and William Soule and John Tucker and the rest of the Arbitrators, they and Every of them mortally agreeing and Declaring before us that they and Every of them shall and will Stand to and in Every part perform, fulfill and keep what shall by us be agreed upon in Every respect as shall be hereafter declared under our hands —

And forasmuch as one principal part of the difference depending is betwixt Peleg Slocum and his brother Eleazer Slocum both of the town of Dartmouth and County of Bristol In New England

It is mutually agreed betwixt them that they and Every of them ye said Peleg and Eleazer Slocum Shall and will from time to time them their heirs, Executors administrators and assigns perform fulfill and keep all and Every part of the agreement which by us the said Joseph Wanton and partners shall be hereafter declared under our hands and if they the said Peleg and Eleazer or Either of them their heirs or assigns, Shall at any time after the declaration of our agreement made and done betwixt them and on behalf of them their heirs and assigns, they or any of them dissenting from or Refusing to Stand to what Shall be determined and declared betwixt them then such and Every of them so Dissenting to forfeit the sum of one hundred pounds to be paid to them or Either of them Standing to and agreeing with the determination hereafter declared Respecting this matter to all which the said Peleg and Eleazer doth Agree for themselves their heirs and assigns to Stand to Establish for Ever Except they or their assigns mutually agree to have and to hold otherwise and as further Confirmation thereof have hereunto Interchangably set their hands and Seals
this 21st day of the 3rd mo. 1708

Witnesses present
Stephen Wilcocks — Peleg Slocum ●
Isaac Barker — Eleazer his E mark Slocum ●

And forasmuch as William Soule of the Town of Dartmouth and the County of Bristol in New England Is one principally Concerned In the matter depending to be determined by us the said Joseph Wanton and partners It is therefore agreed that the said William Soule his heirs Executors and administrators and assigns shall be bound under the penalty of one hundred pounds to Stand to fulfill and keep the agreement award and determination, - him on his part which Shall be hereafter Declared under our hands, and the said sum of one hundred pounds to be paid by him his heirs or assigns to such persons Legally serving for the same for just Damages done to them through the nonperformance of him the said William Soule his heirs Executors or assigns to which the said William Soule doth Covenant and Agree and as a further Confirmation hereof has hereunto set his hand and seal
this 21st day of the third month 1708

Witnesses present — William Soule ●
Stephen Wilcocks
Isaac Barker

To all people to whom these presents may come -

Know ye that whereas there has been some difference occasioned through unadvized management depending for some time betwixt Peleg Slocum, Eleazer Slocum and William Soule where upon they did make choice to be heard and determined therein by John Tucker Benjamin Howland Judah Smith and William Wood and accordingly they the said John Tucker and partners heard and awarded, but Peleg too forwardly dissenting from their agreement, for some Slender Reasons not necessary here to men'tin, and the said matter being Reported to the monthly meeting and being under their Consideration, did at last monthly

1708 meeting held at Dartmouth the 17th of 3d month 1708 appoint that wee the said Joseph Hanton and partners should overhaul the said matter hear and determine the said difference -

And now by virtue of the said power invested In us not only by the Monthly Meeting but also by the persons immediately concerned wee do award and determine for them their heirs and administrators and assigns that there shall be a drift way with gates sufficient through Eleazer Slocum's Land According as It was laid out by the town in breadth about Eight Rods leading down to the End of the Beach and so to the landing place and to continue for the use of such who has or may at any time hereafter have occasion to Ride lead cart or drive any or all sorts of creatures such as any people shall have occasion Ride, lead, cart or drive as aforesaid -

And that there be an open high way from the said Eleazer Slocum's land through Peleg Slocums Land and thence to the Soule's land and from thence to Ebenezer Allins land until It come to Josiah Allins land and then Betwixt Josiah Allins land and the said Souls land and so until It Enters the common or undivided land and that the said high way shall all along be allowed at least two Rods in width provided that where it joins upon the said Allin's land the said two Rods in width shall be taken out of the said Soule's land and also what part of said high way leads through Peleg Slocums land shall be sufficiently fenced and so maintained by them their heirs and assigns for Ever, that is to say one Equal half thereof to be fenced and maintained by Peleg and his heirs and assigns and the other half by Eleazer his heirs and assigns

It is also agreed that there shall be a drift way through the said Soule's land with gates, and as wide as may be adjudged necessary by the Town or Select men for all sorts of creatures to pass and Repass whether Riding leading carting or driving &c -

And forasmuch as formerly there was a common high way laid out through Peleg Slocum's land where his now dwelling house stands which cannot be altered but by the town agreement If now the town see cause to disannul and shut or cause to be shut up and no more occupy as such the said high way leading by his house then and under that consideration there shall be a drift way leading through his land lying on the other side of or from his house in the place where he shewed John Tucker and some others, with gates and of a convenient breadth to Ride, lead, cart or drive any or all sorts of cattle or creatures passing and Repassing as they may have occasion and it is further agreed that if at any time hereafter the town should see cause to Reestablish and cause to be opened and occupied the said high way or if any person or persons should at any time hereafter Recover the opening and occupying of said high way by lawsuit or otherwise then and under that consideration it shall be lawful for the said Peleg Slocum to shut up and occupy the said drift way as he his heirs or assigns shall see cause - thus wee thought good to award and

determine according to the best of our understanding –
Given under our hands in Peleg Slocum's house the 21st day of the 3rd mo 1708

Joseph Hanton
Thomas Cornell
William Barker
Abraham Anthony Junr

Before it is absolutely delivered by us wee do further agree that the drift way leading through the Soule's land shall not Exceed in width above four Rods and also that the drift way leading through Peleg Slocum's home lot shall not Exceed four Rods in width.

Wee do also agree that all these proceedings by us in these affairs should be carefully Recorded In the monthly meeting Book, and yet notwithstanding that, these same being ÿ original, shall be carefully pinned and preserved in the said monthly meeting Book.

Pursuant to the minute of last monthly meeting Especially that part depending betwixt Peleg Slocum and friends, wee do think that Peleg's proceedings under several considerations have been not so orderly and becoming as it ought to be and in particular his Refusing to stand to the award of John Tucker and partners in the matter depending betwixt him and his brother and William Soule, and also In his absenting himself from the monthly meeting when he knew that the said matter would be agitated in the meeting, and also his unadvised way of presenting said matter to the town meeting all which wee do disapprove and place Judgement upon, and under consideration of these things wee have dealt with Peleg, And he signifies to us that he is sorry for his missteps, and wee considering that through the thickness of his hearing he did not so Rightly apprehend nor understand the matter in his proceedings the which might have laid him under several disadvantages therefore wee desire and think it most Expedient under several considerations, Especially seeing that he has come to an acknowledgment to us, therefore It is our sense and Judgment that from henceforth the Church be no further troubled with said matter, but that Peleg and friends do live in love and unity as becometh Brethren

Given under our hand this 21st of the third month 1708

Joseph Hanton
Thomas Cornell
William Barker
Abraham Anthony Junr

And the meeting is adjourned until the next fourth day come two weeks

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 7th day of the 5th mo 1708
Stephen Wilcocks and Benjamin Howland were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Rhode Island next

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th of the 5th mo 1708
And there was collected $\overset{l}{00}$–$\overset{s}{09}$–$\overset{d}{03}$
And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay out of our Stock to

1708 Expense at Nantucket

Thomas Hathaway Eight Shillings for the hire of horses for friends - And Six Shillings to Daniel Wood for going to Nantucket with friends - And Stephen Wilcocks, Samuel Mott and Benjamin Howland are appointed to give William Ricketson and Meribah Slocum their answer concerning their laying their Intentions of marriage befor the monthly meeting - and make their return to the next monthly meeting

And the friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting for to Speak with Peleg Slocum for to know whether he would give another deed of the meeting house land after another method and they Report that said Slocum is not willing

New deed to Meeting house lot to be made in accordance with advice of Thos Story

Thereupon the meeting made choice of Benjamin Howland Eleazer Slocum, William Wood, Judah Smith and Samuel Mott for trustees to have a deed made to them from the former trustees In the method that Thomas Story Sent to us for the better securing the said land - and Benjamin Howland is chosen to get a deed drawn by the next monthly meeting

And friends are desired to finish the fencing the burying ground by the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 16th of the 6th mo 1708

Then was Collected $\overset{£}{00} - \overset{s}{12} - \overset{d}{03}$

And the three friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting for to give William Ricketson and Meribah Slocum the Reason why they could not be permitted to lay their Intentions of marriage before the last monthly meeting and they make report to this meeting that the said William Ricketson and Meribah Slocum are willing to take up with the good order of the meeting and to come through the same.

And the Eight Shillings which Benjamin Howland was ordered to pay to Thomas Hathaway the last monthly meeting was paid according to order.

And also the Six Shillings was paid to Daniel Wood as ordered

Geo Thomas and Martha Tucker intention - also same by Saml Howland & Mary Merihew - also same by Wm Ricketson and Meribah Slocum

And George Thomas of Portsmouth on Rhode Island and Martha Tucker of Dartmouth laid their Intentions of marriage befor this meeting.

Also Samuel Howland of Freetown and Mary Merihew of Dartmouth did lay their Intention of marriage before this meeting.

And William Ricketson and Meribah Slocum both of Dartmouth did likewise lay their Intention of marriage before said meeting.

Stephen Wilcocks and Benjamin Howland are chosen to Inspect and inquire Into all their clearness concerning marriage and to bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And It is agreed and ordered by this monthly meeting that all friends that have or hereafter may have occasion to lay their Intentions of marriage before the monthly meeting that they or some friend on their behalf shall acquaint

the preparative meeting therewith before they present it to the
monthly Meeting.

And John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to agree with
a friend for to keep the meeting house for the ensuing year – and
to See that the friend that kept the meeting house the last year be
paid for his Service.

Deed And Benjamin Howland hath gotten a deed drawn according
drawn. to order and It is approved of by this meeting and ordered to
be Signed and Acknowledged and Recorded.
And John Tucker is appointed to get the Same accomplished.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In
Dartmouth the 20th day of the 7th mo^th 1708
There was collected $\overset{l}{00}$ $\overset{s}{06}$ – $\overset{d}{11}$
And John Summers appeared for Rochester meeting

And the two friends are called upon namely Stephen Wilcocks
and Benjamin Howland to give in their answer how they find
things Concerning the Clearness of the Six friends that did lay
their Intentions of marriage before the last monthly meeting
And they report that they have made Inquiry and they find
nothing that may justly hinder their Intentions.

And the Six friends to wit; Samuel Howland and Mary
Merihew and William Ricketson and Meribah Slocum
and George Thomas and Martha Tucker all appeared the
Second time desiring an Answer they all Signifying that
they Still Intended marrying and nothing to hinder their
Intentions they all had their answers that they might proceed
to take Each other in the good order of truth.–

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham are
Chosen to see Samuel Howland and Mary Merihew Solemnize
their Marriage In the order of truth and John Tucker and
William Wood are Chosen to See George Thomas and
Martha Tucker accomplish their marriage in the good order of truth

And Increas Allin and William Soule are chosen to See
William Ricketson and Meribah Slocum Solemnize their
marriage in the order of truth.

And Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum are chosen
to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Rhode Island next.

And this monthly meeting refers the business concerning the
Ministers rate Rate which is required of this town by the General Court or
Assembly at Boston, part of which rate is Supposed to be for
the maintenance of a hireling priest to the Quarterly meeting
Petition to at Rhode Island next for their advice – and John Tucker is
[illegible] appointed to go to Boston to Carry a petition in behalf of friends to the
[illegible] Governor and Council to desire them to omit the making and gathering
[illegible] that part of Said rate which is Supposed for a priest the which part
[illegible] friends Cannot be active In Either making or paying the Same It
being Contrary to that principle of truth which wee make profession of–

Here followeth the Copies of Samuel Howland of Freetown In the

1708 County of Bristol - and George Thomas of Portsmouth on Rhode Island their Certificates Concerning marriage.

Certificates on account of marriage

To our friends and Brethren in Dartmouth or Elsewhere whom it may Concern - Whereas Samuel Howland of Freetown being within y^{e} Circuit of our monthly meeting having a desire to marry amongst friends, some time past did request or desire a Certificate of our said meeting of his Clearness relating to marriage of which wee have thus Considered and have proceeded according to the good order of truth, and find nothing to object or hinder his said proceedings therein - Wee Rest your friends and Brethren of this our monthly meeting held at Newport on Rhode Island this 7th of the 7th mth 1708

Signed in behalf of said meeting by John Borden
Thomas Rodman Francis Brayton Joseph Wanton
William Anthony Richard Borden William Barker
Samuel Hicks Samuel Thurston Joseph Anthony Jun^{r}
Samuel Easton Thomas Hicks John Hewlet
Thomas Cornell Jun^{r} -

The copy of George Thomas his Certificate here followeth

From our Monthly Meeting held on Rhode Island the 7th of the 7th mth 1708

To our friends and Brethren at Dartmouth is the Salutation of our love to you all in the unity and fellowship of the Spirit of truth

These are to Certify you that our friend George Thomas did desire of our last monthly meeting a certificate of his life and Conversation and Clearness Relating to marriage which said meeting according to the good order of truth established amongst us, did appoint two friends to inquire into, and they make Report unto this meeting that they have Inquired and find nothing, but that he hath been of a good Conversation and is in unity with us and is also Clear from any person Relating to marriage Excepting Martha Tucker so far as wee know, whose growth and prosperity wee sincerely desire may be Continued to the End in the blessed truth.

Signed by order and in behalf of this meeting
by Jacob Mott John Borden Jacob Mott Jun^{r}
Thomas Rodman Giles Slocum Gideon Freeborn
Joseph Wanton William Anthony William Barker
Francis Brayton John Coggeshall Thomas Cornell Jun^{r}
John Hewlet John Stanton Jr Richard Borden
Samuel Hicks Thomas Hicks Ephraim Hicks
Samuel Thurston Joseph Anthony Jr Samuel Easton

And the meeting is adjourned until the fourth day before the Quarterly meeting next

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 6th day of 8th mth 1708

The visitors Bring in their accounts of their visits, to this meeting that they find friends kind and do take their labors of love in visiting them kindly

The monthly meeting that should have been held in the 8th month is held by adjournment the first day of the 9th mth 1708

And there was Collected $\overset{l}{00} - \overset{s}{11} - \overset{d}{03}$

And the friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to see the marriages Solemnized in the good order of truth, were called upon and they answered that they did see the marriages accomplished in the good order of truth.

John Tucker goes to [illegible]

And John Tucker hath been at Boston with a petition to the Govenor and Council as appointed - but he could not get an answer as yet whether they will omit the sixty pounds that is supposed for the ministers rate or not

[illegible]

And John Tucker signifies to this meeting that he is not willing to receive any money for his service in going to Boston to the Govenor and Council on behalf of friends and others

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 9th mth 1708

There was Collected $\overset{l}{00} - \overset{s}{09} - \overset{d}{10}$

Dartmouth monthly meeting called. Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared - Rochester meeting called and not appeared

And the two friends that were appointed at the last preparative meeting for to inquire of Jonathan Ricketson concerning his laying the Intention of his marriage before this meeting And they having spoken with him do make report to this meeting that he saith that he doth not intend to lay his Intention of marriage befor the monthly meeting, but saith that he thinks it no sin to be married otherwise.

And John Tucker John Lapham Junr and Judah Smith are appointed to further labor with him, his Shortness, and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting-

And the friends on the other side Acoaxet river desire that they may have their meeting for the winter season as formerly - which is granted.

Burying Ground fenced in

And the burying ground being fenced in, there remains due to John Lapham Junr six shillings - and Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay him out of the monthly meeting Stock.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 10th mth 1708

There was Collected $\overset{l}{00} - \overset{s}{11} - \overset{d}{07}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Soule and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called, and none appeared.

And the friends that were appointed the last monthly meeting to further labor with Jonathan Ricketson to shew him his Shortness in not being willing to lay his Intentions of his marriage befor the meeting make report to this meeting that his answer is that he sees no harm in marrying according to the Custom of the world, and saith that at present he doth not Intend to be married in the order of friends - And John Lapham Junr

1708 and William Wood are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island next

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay Judah Smith ten shillings out of the stock for his keeping the meeting house one quarter of a year -

And Benjamin Howland is also ordered to pay John Tucker nine shillings and six pence for his disbursements about the recording the deed of the meeting house land

Deliverance Smith a prisoner for Truth's sake

And our friend Deliverance Smith being one of the Select men or assessors of the town was seized by Samuel Gallop Sheriff of Bristol by an order of the General Court at Boston and committed to the County jail at Bristol -- because he could not for conscience sake assess the sum of sixty pounds annexed to the Queens tax which sum was supposed as aforementioned and now it is evident to be for the maintenance of a hireling minister - and friends having unity with him in his sufferings, do appoint Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith to procure a hand to manage the said Deliverance Smith's business whilst he is a prisoner on the account of trouble and friends - and engage him his wages and the monthly meeting to reimburse the same

And the meeting is adjourned until the seventh day of the Eleventh month next -

And the meeting being met according to adjournment the 7th of the 11th moth 1708

The visitors being called over give in their accounts to this meeting of their visiting of friends families and they make report that they find things pretty well in some families but in other some, things are not well

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island giving an account of the affairs of truth amongst us -

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th of the 11th moth 1708

There was collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{08}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Soule and Eleazer Slocum appeared

Rochester meeting called - and not appeared.

And Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith make report to this meeting that according to order of last monthly meeting they have hired James Russell to look after Deliverance Smith's business for one month

And this meeting agrees to lend as much money out of the stock as will pay the said Russell for his months work, and orders Benjamin Howland to let him have it

And Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith are still continued for to see that Deliverance Smith does not want a hand to look after his business he being still a prisoner on truth's account - And John Tucker is appointed by this

John Tucker to go to Boston to seek relief for prisoners for Truths sake.

meeting to go to Boston to the General Court to see if he can get any relief for our friends who now remain prisoners with the said Deliverance Smith in the County jail at Bristol – and the meeting is to help him to money to bear his Expenses.

And Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to visit friends at Rochester to see how things are amongst them and make their return to the next monthly meeting.

Nathaniel Howland and William Soule are chosen to visit the prisoners and see what they want and take care that their wants may be supplied.

William Wood Eleazer Slocum and Henry Howland are chosen to go to Robert Gifford and labor with him to show him his disorder in refusing to pay his proportion of the Queen's tax, and that friends cannot stand by him in so doing.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 21st day of the 12th mo^th^ 1708/9

And there was collected 00–11–01

Meeting at Acushnet proposed.

And whereas it was Recommended to this meeting that some friends or friendly people at Acushnet desire that there may be a meeting of worship appointed amongst them once in a month – and after some debate upon the matter friends did unanimously agree that their request might be Answered thinking it might be for the honor of God and for the promotion of truth amongst them – and so recommends it to the Quarterly meeting for their concurrence and assistance therein.

Returning minute for Hugh Coperthwaite

And William Soule and Judah Smith are appointed to draw up a certificate for our ancient friend Hugh Coperthwaite of Flushing concerning his service and labor of love amongst us.

London Epistle

Also a Comfortable Epistle was read here from our Ancient friends and brethren from their Yearly meeting held at London last third month.

And an Epistle also from the Quarterly meeting was read amongst us and Kindly Excepted.

And by reason that the last monthly meeting minutes could not be had wherein was several refers to this meeting the clerk not being at home – therefore the meeting adjourns until the second fourth day in the first month next.

This meeting Being met according to adjournment the 9th day of the first month 1709

And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay James Russell for his second months work out of the meeting stock

John Tucker [illegible] from Boston

And John Tucker gives this meeting an account that he hath been at Boston as ordered and the General Court hath granted an order to the Sheriff of Bristol to Release the prisoners they paying him the fees – which they could not do therefore they are still continued prisoners –

Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum according to

1709 appointment have been at Rochester and they give an account that friends there are not so well as they could wish but hope that things may be better.

And the friends appointed to speak with Robert Gifford give in their answer that he hath given satisfaction and hath paid his rate.

[illegible] And the prisoners, to wit, Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Junr are Released and Come home but the manner of their Commitment and their Release shall be more largely declared hereafter under the hand of one of them

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting house In Dartmouth the 21st day of the first month 1709

The Collection was $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth meeting Called - Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting Called - and not appeared.

And Benjamin Howland gives this meeting an account that he hath paid James Russell for one months work twenty Eight Shillings as ordered by the last monthly meeting

And Judah Smith hath made up the accounts with Benjamin Howland as ordered, and there remains in the Stock $\overset{l}{02}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{09}$

[illegible] And Charles Dyer the Son of Charles Dyer of Newport on Rhode Island and Mary Lapham daughter of John Lapham of Dartmouth did lay their Intention of marriage before this meeting.

And they were desired to tarry until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to see into their clearness relating to marriage and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And William Wood desires the aprobation of the meeting for to put out one of his children an apprentice to Nicholas Howland, this meeting doth agree and consent to the same.

Wm Wood sufferings for [illegible] And the Suffering of William Wood for not training was Read and approved and ordered to be recommended to the Quarterly meeting

And this meeting is adjourned until the 6th day of the second month

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 6th day of the second month 1709

And this meeting hath received an account of Deliverance Smith concerning his late imprisonment and the meeting Recommends the same to the Quarterly meeting

John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next at Rhode Island

This meeting hath received an account of the visitors as followeth These are to Satisfy the monthly meeting, that wee have visited the most of friends families here but by reason of my not being well wee have not performed a general visit, but so far as wee have been wee find things pretty well Except some that are not so rightly concerned as they ought to be, and those need a great deal of labor to bring them to observe the orders of friends.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th day of the Second month 1709
Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and John Tucker appeared: -
Rochester meeting called - John Summers appeared
And the business concerning Charles Dyer and Mary Lapham is refered to the next monthly meeting

Also a meeting of worship is Established at Acushnet by the Quarterly meeting as requested - and is to be kept the last first day in Every month.

And the Quarterly meeting of ministers having labored with Hannah Jenney and advised her to be silent in meetings of worship but she not taking up with their advice they refer her to our monthly meeting to deal with her as they may see meet in the wisdom of God.

And Benjamin Howland and John Tucker are chosen to speak with the said Hannah Jenney to let her know that friends have no unity with her preaching praying and singing in public meetings and if she will still go on contrary to the advice of friends then friends will be constrained for to give forth a public testimony against her proceeding, in that case.

And Thomas Taber Jun being a friendly man and a late prisoner with our friend Deliverance Smith and he behaving himself as becometh the truth which he suffered for in the time of his imprisonment and friends having unity with him in his sufferings do think it their Christian duty to contribute something towards the support of his family in the time of his late imprisonment - .

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read to our comfort and satisfaction.

And here followeth a copy of Deliverance Smith's letter which he sent to the monthly meeting giving an account of the manner of his imprisonment and sufferings

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the sixteenth of the third month 1709

There was Collected $00 - \overset{s}{09} - \overset{d}{03}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called. Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland appeared - Rochester meeting Called and not appeared

And the business concerning Charles Dyer and Mary Lapham is refered to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to let Thomas Cornell have ten shillings out of the meeting stock to help to defray the Charge of friends passage to Nantucket

And the first day at Acoaxet is concluded to be at the meeting house for this summer.

And this meeting understands by John Summers and Timothy Davis that friends at Rochester are negligent in not attending their preparative meeting according to order, wherefore Stephen Wilcocks and Benjamin Howland are appointed to visit them and stir them up to diligence in their meetings and to observe the good order of truth Established amongst friends.

And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay Judah Smith Eight shillings out of the stock for his recording the minutes of the monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the twentieth of the fourth month 1709

There was Collected $0 - \overset{s}{12} - \overset{d}{04}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and William Soule appeared - Rochester weekly meeting Called and not appeared

And the business Concerning Charles Dyer and Mary Lapham is refered to the next monthly meeting

John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are Chosen to attend the Quarterly Meeting next

The visitors being Called upon, they give in the following account, Friends wee have performed a general visit In the families of friends throughout the weekly meetings In Dartmouth and wee find that our labor of love has been of service to some, and things are generally pretty well amongst friends

Eleazer Slocum Increas Allin and Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith are Chosen to write an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting giving an account of the affairs of truth amongst us

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th day of the fifth month 1709

There was collected $00 - \overset{s}{09} - \overset{d}{04}$

Dartmouth meeting Called William Soule and Judah Smith appeared - Rochester meeting Called, Savery Clifton appeared

And it is desired by this meeting that all friends who

1709 have been impressed this year that they bring in their accounts how they have stood in truths testimony against warring and fighting and also how they came to be released from the said impress to the next monthly meeting

Friends impressed.

Benjamin Howland and John Lapham jun^r are chosen visitors and added to the two that were formerly appointed

And Henry Howland is agreed with to make up the gap into the burying ground and to be paid out of the monthly meeting Stock

And it is agreed that Benjamin Howland should pay to John Lapham twenty shillings out of our Stock for his keeping the meeting house

And it is recommended to this meeting by Rochester friends that they may have the meeting that is kept at John Summers removed to John Wings and also a weekly meeting settled amongst them - and this meeting refers it to the next monthly meeting for a full result in the matter

Request from Rochester for a weekly meeting.

And Matthew Wing gives this meeting an account of his being impressed as followeth

To the monthly meeting in Dartmouth,

Friends these are to certify the meeting that I have been impressed, and hired a man to go in my room but upon consideration I was condemned in myself for so doing and I am sorry for the same and I hope I shall do so no more

Matthew Wing.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting house In Dartmouth the fifteenth of the 6th mth 1709

There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{08}$

Dartmouth meeting Called - William Soule and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting Called and not appeared,

And it is ordered that Benjamin Howland should pay five shillings to his brother Henry for making the gate and posts for the Burying yard.

Charles Dyer and Mary Lapham appeared the second time signifying still their intention of marriage and nothing appearing to hinder their Intention he having a certificate from the monthly meeting whereunto he did belong, a copy of which here followeth -

From our monthly mens meeting of friends held at Newport on Rhode Island y^e 14th day of the 4th mth 1709

To our friends at Dartmouth is the salutation of our dear love in the truth - and whereas Charles Dyer son of Charles Dyer of Newport deceased, desired a certificate of us he being as wee understand in pursuance of marriage with Mary the daughter of John Lapham and Mary his wife of Dartmouth,

These are therefore to certify whom it may concern that we have made inquiry concerning him and do find nothing but that he is clear of entanglement as to marriage so far as we know with any here amongst us and as to his conversation of late he seemed to be sober and well inclined and frequents friends meetings and wee have nothing against his proceeding in marriage - So desiring his prosperity and growth in the truth we conclude. - Signed by order and in behalf of our monthly meeting by Thomas Cornell Clerk of said meeting

They had their answer that they might take each other in convenient time in the decent order of truth - and William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to see that the marriage is solemnized in the good order of truth - And the business concerning the settlement of a weekly meeting at Rochester is refered to the next monthly meeting.

And Nathaniel Howland and William Soule were called upon to give in their accounts of what they have disbursed towards the support of the late prisoners on the meetings account and they say they have disbursed nothing on the meetings account.

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are called upon to give in their account concerning their care about the meeting house the last year - and their answer is that there is due to them ten shillings, and this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay it to them out of our stock.

And John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are still continued for to take care of the meeting house for the ensuing year.

Judah Smith [illegible] [illegible]

And it is ordered that Benjamin Howland should pay Judah Smith twelve shillings for recording the monthly meeting minutes, out of the monthly meeting stock.

£10 sub- [illegible] for [illegible]

And this meeting hath subscribed ten pounds towards the building of friends meeting in Boston.

And this meeting hath received an account from our friends in writing, which was impressed this year, which was read to the satisfaction of the meeting and ordered to be recorded as followeth,

To the monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth holden the fifteenth day of the sixth month 1709

Account [illegible] the [illegible] who were [illegible]

Dear friends and brethren, thinking it our Christian duty and according to the good order of truth to give you this following account, Friends, on the 9th day of the third month last in this present year, wee whose names are underwritten three of us being at the town house in Dartmouth were impressed by John Akin lieutenant of the train band into the Queens service to go to Canada and he required us to appear the next day at the house of Josiah Allen to receive further orders, and accordingly we went to said Allin's and when wee came our further order was to be exercised in a warlike posture - and we told said Akin that we could not in conscience act in any warlike posture nor use carnal weapons to destroy mens lives, who said he took notice of our answer and told us wee might go hom until further order, which wee did and remained at or about home until the 18th of the month, and then being ordered to appear before Colonel Byfield wee went with William Soule who was impressed by the abovesaid

1709 Akin the 11th of the Same month to go to Canada in her Majesty's Service and ordered to appear at the town-house in Bristol on the 18th day of the Said 3rd mth — So wee went to Joseph Hanlon's where wee met with our friend William Wood who was going with his Son William Wood to Bristol for Robert Brownell came the 11th day of the third month 1709 and impressed his Son to go to Canada in the Queens Service afterwards Nathaniel Soule warned him to appear at the town house in Bristol on the 18th day of the Said 3rd month then wee considered the matter and thought it might be best for William Wood to leave his Son then and go and Speak in his Sons behalf which he did, then wee went to Bristol together and appeared before Colonel Byfield who asked us Some questions to which wee answered that wee could not for conscience sake act in a warlike posture to destroy mens lives for in so doing wee Should offend God and incur his displeasure, and when William Wood Junr was called his father Spoke in his behalf — then Colonel Byfield asked him if his Son was a Quaker too, he said it is against his mind to go to war and he would not kill a man for the world — then one that sat by said Byfield take him, then he set down William's name in his Book, then he put us all under the command of Captain Joseph Brown and charged us to march with him to Roxbury by the 25th of Said month, which charge wee could not obey, but afterward he being more moderate desired us to go down not in any warlike posture but to take our own time so as to meet Captain Brown at the Governor's at Roxbury the said 25th of the month which wee finding freedom to do accordingly went thither and laid our cause before the Governor Joseph Dudley who was very kind to us and gave us our liberty to go home without demanding any money of us, or wee paying him any — In which liberty through the goodness of God wee still remain your friends

John Tucker
William Wood
William Soule
John Lapham Junr
Deliverance Smith

Account of Nathl Howland. An other paper from Nathaniel Howland to friends

These are to inform our monthly meeting of the people called Quakers in Dartmouth — that on the 9th day of the 3rd mo 1709 I was impressed by John Akin into the Queens Service and also warned me to appear at Josiah Allins on the next day to receive further order, which I did — then he said his order was to Exercise me in a warlike posture with others that were impressed until he had further orders — then I told him it was against my conscience to act in such a way to go out to war to destroy mens Lives, or words to that purpose which he said he took notice of, and said I might go home until further order, then afterward I was warn'd to go with said Akin to the town-house in Bristol the 18th day of the said third month, and accordingly I went with him till wee came to brother Daniel's at the ferry, then the said Akin Called me aside and released me from the impress without my paying any fine or promising any-

Nathaniel Howland.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 19th day of the 7th mth 1709

Then was Collected $0^{l}-10^{s}-09^{d}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and John Lapham Junr appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting, Called and not appeared.

William Wood and John Tucker have brought in their answer to this meeting that Charles Dyer and Mary Lapham did Solemnize their marriage in the good order of truth.

And the business Concerning the Settling of a weekly meeting amongst friends at Rochester is refered to the next monthly meeting by reason there is no representation from their meeting — and inasmuch as there are no friends from the preparative meeting at Rochester this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum to visit them and Stir them up in their duty diligently to attend the monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and William Wood are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood give this meeting to understand that they spoken with Thomas Wait Concerning his Coming amongst friends to take a wife, and he saith he is willing to Submit to the good order of truth — and John Tucker is appointed to give Thomas Wait a few lines to friends at Nantucket Signifying that he is in good unity with friends here of this meeting.

And the minutes of the last yearly meeting were read at this meeting and kindly approved of by the meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned until the 12th day of the 8th mth next

The monthly meeting being met according to adjournment the 12th day of the 8th month 1709

The visitors give in their account to this meeting that they find things pretty well generally amongst friends Except some particular families things are not well, but friends are in hope that in time they may Come to be better.

And John Tucker and Judah Smith are chosen to write an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next giving an account of the affairs of truth amongst us.

1709 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th day of the 8th mo 1709

There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{05}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith and John Lapham jun^r^ appeared – Rochester meeting Called and not appeared

James Russell and Rebeccah Howland did lay their Intention of marriage before this meeting – and they were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for an answer

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham are chosen to Inquire into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

And Eleazer reports to this meeting that he hath been at Rochester according to appointment and hath spoken with friends there and they signify that they condemn their slackness and hope for time to come they shall be more diligent In attending the monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and William Wood report to this meeting that they have attended the Quarterly meeting according to appointment

And John Tucker and Judah Smith have written an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting as ordered

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 21st of the 9th mo 1709

There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{11}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called – Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared – Rochester meeting Called and not appeared

And the two friends that were chosen the last monthly meeting to Inspect into the Clearness of James Russell and Rebeccah Howland concerning marriage were called upon and their answer is that they have made Inquiry and find nothing that may hinder their Intention of marriage.

James Russell and Rebeccah Howland appeared the second time before the meeting desiring an answer to their proposals of marriage laid before the last monthly meeting signifying that they both still Intended marriage – and friends finding things clear they had their answer that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage In the good order of truth.

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham jun^r^ are appointed to see the marriage accomplished in the decent order of truth.

And the ten pounds subscribed towards the building of the meeting house at Boston was collected at this meeting and delivered to Thomas Cornell in order to be sent to Boston for the use abovesaid

And whereas Elizabeth the daughter of Hezekiah Smith and of Mary his wife hath walked disorderly in marrying with one of the world contrary to the good order of truth Established amongst us and the advice of friends.

And friends being clear of her this meeting makes choice of John Tucker and Increas Allin to draw up a paper of condemnation concerning her and bring it in to the next monthly meeting [illegible] acknowledg'd [illegible] And whereas it is proposed to this meeting by the visitors whether Robert Gifford is accounted a friend in unity or not.—

And it is the sense of the meeting that Robert Gifford being a friend's child is under the care and custody of this meeting, and ought to be visited as a friend.—

And it is agreed that friends at Acoaxet should have their meeting on the first day of the week on the other side the river for this winter as formerly.

Change of time in the holding of R I Mo Mtg

Also we received an Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island which was read and kindly accepted whereby we understand that the monthly meeting at Rhode Island is altered and is to be held on the last third day in Every month.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 19th of the 10th mo 1709.—

There was Collected $0 - \overset{s}{13} - \overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared — Rochester meeting Called and Joseph Wing appeared

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham were called upon to know whether they did see James Russell and Rebecca Howland consumate their marriage in the order of truth.—

And their answer is that they were at the marriage and they know not but that things were carried on pretty well

John Green & Mary Allen [illegible]

And John Green of Warwick and Mary Allen the daughter of Increas Allen of Dartmouth did lay their Intentions of marriage before this meeting and they were desired to wait for an answer until the next monthly meeting

And whereas John Tucker and Increas Allen were appointed by the last monthly meeting to draw up a paper of Condemnation Concerning Elizabeth Tripp and there being nothing done this meeting doth still Continue them to do it against the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting at Rhode Island next.

And the visitors of this meeting have given their accounts of their visiting of friends and they signify that things are pretty well in some families but in other some things are not well, but wee hope that in time things may be better.—

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham are appointed to see into the clearness of John Green and Mary Allen Concerning marriage and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

[illegible] Mtg house lot

And Nathaniel Howland hath requested the liberty of this meeting to set up a stable on the meeting house land which is granted.

And Judah Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meetings accounts with Benjamin Howland and make Return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned until the next fourth

1709 day Come week which will be the 28th day of this instant -

And the meeting being met according to adjournment
the 28th of the 10th month 1709

And whereas Some agitations hath been Concerning Samuel Mott his Selling of his habitation and removing to Newport on Rhode Island to live and it is the Sense of this meeting that it will not be for his advantage in any wise So Cannot give our Consent thereto at the present.

And John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to draw up an Epistle to the next Quarterly meeting giving an account of the affairs of truth amongst us.

[illegible] And Rochester preparative meeting hath requested of the monthly meeting that they may have a weekly meeting for worship Established amongst them and to be kept on the fifth day of the week at John Wings and also that they may have their preparative meeting on the fifth day of the week before the monthly meeting, after the meeting of worship is Ended - and that they have a monthly meeting of worship on the first day at John Wings once in four weeks, all which is granted and allowed by this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 16th day of the 11th month 1709
There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}$ $\overset{s}{10}$ - $\overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum appeared - Rochester weekly meeting Called - and none appeared.

John Green and Mary Allen appeared before this meeting desiring an answer to their proposals of marriage laid before the last monthly meeting saying they were Still of the Same mind - the Said John Green having his mothers Consent in that matter and also a Certificate from the monthly meeting whereunto he did belong the Copies of which are here inserted.

From our monthly meeting for business at East Greenwich
the 19th day of the 10th month 1709 In the Colony of Rhode Island
To the monthly meeting of business of friends at Dartmouth
Greeting Whereas our friend John Greene having desired a certificate from our monthly meeting these may therefore Inform you that he has made a profession of the blessed truth with us for Some Considerable time and that his life and Conversatio has been Answerable thereunto he being in good unity with us here, being of Some Service amongst us - and further wee do Signify that Concerning marriage weehave taken Care at our monthly meeting and do find nothing to the Contrary but that he is clear from all here as concerning marriage.

Signed by order and in behalf of our Said meeting
by Benjamin Barton, Robert Westgate, Abner Spencer, Samuel Perry
Samuel Aldrich, Zechariah Jenkins, Thomas Arnold, Thomas Rodman Junr

Here followeth a copy of his mother's consent—
In the Colony of Rhode Island
Potawomet in Warwick the 11th of the 11th month 1709
To the monthly meeting of friends at Dartmouth
These are to Inform you yt as to ye proceedings of my Son John Green concerning marriage hee has my free consent ther unto
From your well wishing friend
Elizabeth Green.

And the said Mary Allen also having her parents consent, the meeting gives them their answer that they might take Each other in the good order of truth.

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham are appointed to see them Consumate their marriage in the good order of truth.

Jab. Barker and R Russell intentions

And Jabish Barker and Rebecca Russell did lay their Intention of marriage before this meeting.
And they were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer

Nathaniel Howland and James Burrill are chosen to Inspect into their Clearness Concerning marriage and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Tucker and Increas Allen were Continued the last monthly meeting to draw up a paper of Condemnation Concerning Elizabeth Tripp and it not being fully accomplished to the satisfaction of friends—they are Still Continued and Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum are appointed and added to them for the full accomplishing the same.

And the meeting adjourns until the 25th of this Instant

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 25th of the 11th mth 1709

The four friends appointed to draw up the Condemnation Concerning Elizabeth Tripp have done it and presented it to this meeting and the meeting seeth cause to refer it to the next monthly meeting before it goes forth in public.

And Judah Smith is called upon to give an account whether he hath made up the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland— and it is not done so he is Continued Still to do it and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker is appointed to give Rochester friends an account in writing that their request as to Settling their meetings was granted the last

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 20th day of the 12th month 1709
The Collection was $\overset{l}{0} - \overset{s}{08} - \overset{d}{08}$
Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared.
Rochester weekly meeting Called - Savery Clifton appeared.

And the two friends that were appointed the last monthly meeting, do give in their answer that John Green and Mary Allen

1709 did accomplish their marriage in the order of the meeting
And the matter concerning Jabish Barker and Rebecca Russell is refered to the next monthly meeting.

And the accounts not as yet being made up with Benjamin Howland concerning the collection Judah Smith is still continued to do it and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker hath given Rochester friends an account of the settling of their meetings as appointed.

And this meeting makes choice of William Wood, Eleazer Slocum, John Lapham, and William Soule to peruse what Elizabeth Tripp sent in to the monthly meeting concerning her joining in marriage out of the good order established amongst us - and give in their judgement whether that be sufficient to clear truth, which she sent in to the monthly meeting, or whether the monthly meeting ought to give forth a public testimony against her.

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - no business
Rochester weekly meeting called and John Wing son of John Wing of Rochester appeared at this meeting desiring a certificate of his clearness as to marriage - and Savery Clifton and Timothy Davis are chosen to inquire into his clearness as to marriage and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And wee received the Epistle from the last Quarterly Meeting the which was read at this meeting and was kindly accepted.

[illegible] The friends above chosen to consider and advise with some women friends about the matter relating to Elizabeth Tripp do give their advice that a paper of condemnation go forth publicly against her, which this meeting doth think well of - and do order John Tucker to read publicly the said condemnation on a first day after meeting, or see it done, by the next monthly meeting and make return thereof.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 27th day of the first month 1710
The collection was $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{02}$
Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - John Wing Junr appeared
Judah Smith hath made up the monthly meetings accounts with Benjamin Howland as appointed and there remains in the stock $2-\overset{s}{14}-\overset{d}{09}$.

And Jabesh Barker and Rebecca Russell came the second time for their answer as to taking each other in marriage and things appearing clear they had their answer that they might take each other in the good order of truth -

And Nathaniel Howland and James Burrill are chosen to see them solemnize their marriage in the good order established amongst us -

Jos Chace & A Tucker in- [illegible] And Joseph Chace son of William Chace of Swansey and Abigail Tucker of Dartmouth did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting - and they were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for an answer.

And John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are chosen to make Inquiry into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

And meeting appoints Benjamin Howland to pay Judah Smith what is due to him for recording the monthly meeting minutes — and make return to the next monthly meeting what is done.

And John Tucker makes report to this meeting that he hath Read Elizabeth Tripp's Condemnation as appointed the last monthly meeting — which is as followeth — whereas friends were informed that Elizabeth Smith the daughter of Hezekiah Smith and of Mary his wife that she did intend to marry out of the order of friends therefore friends did labor with her to show her her shortness therein but she did not take their advice but was married contrary to the good order of friends,

Therefore, we who are called Quakers can do no less but to clear ourselves and the blessed truth that we make profession of but to signify to the world that we have no unity with such marriages nor with the said Elizabeth in her so marrying out of the good order of truth Established amongst friends.

Signed by order and in behalf of our monthly men and womens meeting held at Dartmouth the 20th day of the twelfth month 1709 or 10

by Ruth Tucker
Rachel Allen
Hannah Soule
Mary Slocum
Sarah Gifford
Mary Smith
Dorcas Earle
Mary Lapham Jr
Hope Mewhew
John Tucker
Hannah Tucker
John Lapham Jr
Increas Allen
Savery Clifton
Stephen Wilcocks
Judah Smith
William Wood
Henry Tucker
Josiah Merihew

And Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker, William Wood and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And William Soule desires the aprobation of the meeting to put his son an apprentice to John Russell which the meeting hath unity with.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th of the 2nd mth 1710

Dartmouth weekly meeting called — Judah Smith and William Soule appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called — Isaac Benson appeared.

And there was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{12}-\overset{d}{00}$

And Inquiry being made whether Jabesh Barker and Rebecca Russell had solemnized their marriage in the good order of truth, and the answer was that they had accomplished It according to order.

And the business concerning Joseph Chase and Abigail Tucker, things not being clear relating to their Intention of marriage, they are refered to the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Benjamin Howland is still Continued to pay Judah Smith for Recording the monthly meeting minutes, and he is desired to do it against the next monthly meeting.

1710 And the friends that were appointed to draw up an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting have done it according to order

And the friends that were chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting make report that they have attended said meeting according to appointment

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th day of the 3rd mth 1710.

The collection was l 0 - s 10 - d 03

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and William Soule appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called - John Summers appeared.

And the business concerning Joseph Chase and Abigail Tucker is refered to the next monthly meeting because the said Joseph Chase hath not a certificate from the monthly meeting to which he doth belong

And Benjamin Howland hath paid Judah Smith for Recording the monthly meeting minutes twelve shillings as ordered the last monthly meeting.

And Thomas Smith at Pennsylvania the son of Eleazer Smith of Dartmouth, desired of this monthly meeting a certificate of his clearness as to marriage, In order thereunto this meeting appointed Deliverance Smith and William Wood to Inquire into his clearness and if they find things clear then they are appointed to draw up a certificate for him and make their return to the next monthly meeting.

£4 requested
for Kingston
meeting House

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and accepted and allowed, and the meeting agrees to come to a subscription for to defray part of the charge of Kingston meeting house as requested by the last Quarterly meeting and the sum requested is four pounds.

And it is agreed that the first day meeting on the other side Acoaxet river should be at the meeting house for this summer according to former agreement.

William Wood John Lapham James Burrill and Increas Allen are appointed to go with some women friends to consider whether there ought to be a paper of public condemnation to be given forth against Abigail Howland the daughter of Benjamin Howland for marrying out of the order of truth.

And the friends above chosen have considered the matter concerning the abovenamed Abigail Howland and give in their judgement that there ought to be a paper of condemnation drawn up and given forth against her - and the same friends are appointed to draw it up against the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at the meeting house In Dartmouth the 19th of the 4th mth 1710

The collection was l 0 - s 10 - d 03

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and William Soule appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called Elisha Wing appeared -

And Joseph Chase and Abigail Tucker came to this meeting and desired an answer to their former proposals of marriage laid before the monthly meeting signifying they still Intended marriage.

And nothing appearing to hinder their Intentions and the said Joseph Chase having a certificate from the monthly meeting to which he doth belong they had their answer that they might take Each other in the good order of truth.

And John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are chosen to see their marriage accomplished in the good order of truth.

A certificate was given forth by this meeting to Thomas Smith at Pennsylvania of his Clearness concerning marriage.

And John Tucker is appointed to sign the abovesaid Certificate in the behalf of the said monthly meeting.

And Ruth Smith desired a certificate of this monthly meeting signifying that she had a concern upon her mind to visit her children in Pennsylvania and friends having unity with her concern appointed Judah Smith and John Tucker to draw up a certificate for her and sign it in behalf of the meeting.

William Wood John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to let John Tucker have twenty shillings for keeping the meeting house.

bigail [illegible]

And the friends that were appointed the last monthly meeting to draw up a paper of Condemnation against Abigail Howland have done it and it was Read and Approved by this meeting — and John Tucker is appointed to read the same publicly on the first day of the week at the breaking up of the meeting of worship — some time before the next monthly meeting — of which these following is a Copy,

— This is given forth to clear our Holy profession by us the people Called Quakers,

Whereas, Jonathan Rickelson and Abigail Howland being born of believing parents and they being likely to marry Contrary to the good order of truth Established amongst us wee having advised them to the Contrary, but they taking no advice from us, having accomplished it Contrary to our order for which we disown them to be of our Society and Communion — Signed by order of our monthly meeting at Dartmouth the 19th day of the 4th mo 1710.

by Hannah Tucker Hannah Soule, Ruth Tucker Mary Slocum
Rachel Allen Ruhamah Smith Mary Lapham Phebe Tucker
Hope Merihew Mary Smith Increas Allen James Burrill
William Wood John Lapham John Tucker Stephen Wilcocks
Judah Smith Henry Tucker Josiah Merihew Abraham Tucker
Eleazer Slocum.

and the meeting is adjourned until the first sixth day in the fifth month next.

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 7th day of the fifth month 1710

And the visitors brought in their account to this meeting of their visiting friends families belonging to the monthly meeting and they make Report that they have performed a general

1710 visit and find things in the general amongst friends pretty well but in Some families not well but hope that things in time may Come to be better.

And Stephen Wilcocks William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next giving an account how things are amongst us.

And it is refered to the advice and judgement of the Quarterly meeting whether if a friend Shall give his Child in marriage to one of the world after that friends have labored with him and advized him to the Contrary and he Shall persist to the accomplishing the Same, then whether a paper of Condemnation under his own hand may be taken up with or whether a paper of Condemnation ought not to go forth against him from the monthly Meeting -

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th of the 5th month 1710

The Collection was $\overset{£}{0}$-$\overset{s}{09}$-$\overset{d}{07}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called, and not appeared.

And the friends that were appointed to See Joseph Chase's and Abigail Tucker's marriage accomplished according to order, make report that it is not yet accomplished, and the Same friends are Still Continued to See it and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting -

And the friends that were appointed to draw a certificate for Ruth Smith have done it as ordered.

And John Tucker makes report to this meeting that he hath read Jonathan Ricketson's and Abigail Howland's Condemnation according to appointment of last monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and William Wood have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Benjamin Howland is called upon to know whether he has paid John Tucker as appointed the last meeting and it is not done, So he is Still Continued to do it and make return to the next monthly meeting

And the friends that were appointed to write an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting make report that they have done it.

Books of Patrick Henderson And this meeting received a letter from Walter Newbury with Eightytwo books of our friend Patrick Henderson which he wrote in answer to a Scandalous book of Cotton Mathers.

The Books Come to $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{15}$-$\overset{d}{00}$.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 21st day of the 6th mo 1710

The Collection was $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{12}-\overset{d}{00}$.

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - James Burrill and Eleazer Slocum appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called - Elisha King appeared.

And Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker give in their account to this meeting that they did see Joseph Chace and Abigail Tucker accomplish their marriage in the order of truth.

And Benjamin Howland hath paid John Tucker according to appointment.

And the Books which were received the last monthly meeting of Walter Newbury are paid for and John Tucker is appointed to see the money transported to the said Walter NewBury.

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to procure a friend to keep the meeting house for the ensuing year.

And whereas friends being sensible that John Fish was about to join his daughter in marriage with one of the world, Contrary to the good order Established amongst us, friends went to him and advised him to the Contrary laboring much with him to show him the Evil Consequence that might follow.

But notwithstanding friends care and advice he hath persisted to the accomplishing the same. - Whereupon the meeting made choice of Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum to draw up a paper of Condemnation for the clearing of truth and friends of the said John Fish his disorderly walking - and make their return to the next monthly meeting.

And Eleazer Slocum and Benjamin Howland are chosen to speak with Hezekiah Smith Concerning his disorderly Carriage in the monthly meeting when the meeting was weightily Concerned about his daughter's marrying out of the order of truth.

Visit of John Tucker [illegible]

And John Tucker did signify to this meeting that he had a concern rested upon his mind for some time to travel to the westward to visit friends in those parts and friends having unity with his concern did make choice of Judah Smith and John Lapham to write a Certificate for him and sign it in the behalf of said meeting.

And Eleazer Slocum and Benjamin Howland make report that they have spoken with Hezekiah Smith and he hath Condemned his disorderly Carriage to the satisfaction of the meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends holden at our meeting house
In Dartmouth the 18th day of the seventh month 1710

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{6}$.

Dartmouth meeting called, Judah Smith and William Soule appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called, none appeared.

And John Tucker is still Continued to bring a receipt for the money which he had to pay for Patrick's books.

Eleazer Slocum makes return to this meeting

1710 that John Lapham is to keep the meeting house as usual

And Eleazer Slocum and Benjamin Howland have drawn up a Condemnation against John Fish for giving his daughter in marriage to one of the world.

And it is as followeth -

Whereas John Fish of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol New England Hath gone from the principle of truth which he hath made profession of and joining himself with the Spirit of Error and hath given his daughter in marriage to one of the world notwithstanding friends advised him to the Contrary, laboring with him in time to show him the Ill consequence that might follow, yet he hath willfully proceeded to the accomplishing the same Contrary to the advice of friends and the good order Established amongst us, therefore friends are Concerned to testify in public that they have no unity with the said John Fish, but do deny him to be in unison and Communion with us.

Given forth from our monthly meeting the 18th day of the 7th mo 1710

Signed in behalf of the meeting by

Increas Allen	Eleazer Smith	Abraham Tucker -
Hezekiah Smith	John Lapham	Charles Dyer
Stephen Wilcocks	James Burrill	Josiah Merihew
Nathaniel Howland	Eleazer Slocum	Benjamin Howland
Judah Smith	William Wood -	

And Deliverance Smith is appointed to read it on a first day after meeting at our meeting house and make return to the next monthly meeting.

John Lapham and Judah Smith make report that they have drawn up John Tucker's Certificate as appointed -

Eleazer Slocum, John Lapham and Judah Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

The friends that were formerly appointed to view the monthly meeting minutes, were called upon and they give in their answer that they have done it and ordered them to be Recorded

This meeting doth appoint Timothy Davis to assist Savory Clifton in the Service of visiting.

William Soule is appointed to procure a pot to make fire in, and Coals to burn in it -

Judah Smith, Eleazer Slocum and John Lapham were appointed to draw up an account to send to the Quarterly meeting.

This meeting is adjourned until our Youths meeting which will be the Sixth day of the Eighth month next -

The meeting being met according to adjournment the Sixth of the Eighth month 1710

The visitors give this meeting an account that they have not made so general a visit as they ought to have done yet by what hath been done wee understand that things are pretty well amongst friends.

William Soule is appointed to write to friends at Rochester to stir them up to diligence and let them know that the Monthly meeting takes notice of their neglect

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 10th day of the Eighth month 1710

There was collected $0^{l}-06^{s}-06^{d}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Benjamin Howland appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called, and not appeared

The friend that was appointed to read the paper Condemning John Fish makes report to this meeting that he hath done it according to order;

And the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that they have attended the said meeting as ordered.

The friends appointed to draw an account to the Quarterly meeting have done it as ordered by the last monthly meeting.

William Soule makes report to this meeting that he hath provided a pot and Coals according to order.

[illegible]

And William Soule hath written to friends at Rochester as ordered, And whereas the Quarterly meeting of ministers have returned Nathaniel Howland to this monthly meeting to deal with him as In the wisdom of truth they may think fit, Concerning his appearing In public meetings of worship in prayer and testimony to the burden of friends - this meeting refers it to the weighty Consideration of friends until the next monthly meeting

Eleazer Slocum and Benjamin Howland are appointed to speak with the said Nathaniel and let him know the mind of the Quarterly meeting and make return to the next monthly meeting

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting in the fifth month was read and accepted at this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the twentieth of the 9th month 1710

There was collected $00^{l}-10^{s}-03^{d}$.

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Benjamin Howland and William Soule appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called, Timothy Davis appeared.

This meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay William Soule Seventeen Shillings and three pence for the pot and coals which he provided for the Service of the meeting.

And the matter concerning Nathaniel Howlands bearing a public testimony amongst friends is refered to the next monthly meeting.

And the friends on the other side of Acoaxet river desire that they their meeting on the first day of the week as formerly, which is granted.

Joseph Wing son of John Wing of Rochester desired a certificate from this meeting concerning his clearness as to marriage.

William Soule and Savery Clifton were chosen to Inspect into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

And the Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting was read and accepted

1710 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th day of the 10th month 1710.

There was Collected $0^{l}-10^{s}-10^{d}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

[illegible]

Rochester weekly meeting called - John Summers appeared The matter of difference with Nathaniel Howland Concerning his appearing in public testimony amongst friends in their public meetings is refered to the next Quarterly meeting for business,

And Benjamin Howland hath paid William Soule according to appointment of the last monthly meeting.

The friends that were appointed the last monthly meeting to Inspect into the Clearness of Joseph King with respect to marriage give their answer that they have made Inquiry and find nothing that may hinder his proceeding In marriage.

And the visitors of Dartmouth weekly meeting are called upon to give their account how things are in friends families and they give this meeting that Thomas Wait is about to take a wife out of the order of friends.

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to speake with him concerning that matter and bring their answer to the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay Matthew Allin twelve shillings for the use of his mare to the Eastward.

The visitors give their account that they have performed a general visit so far as they well can and their visits were kindly accepted, but they find not so well as they could wish.

Judah Smith and William Soule are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next.

William Soule Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 15th day of the 11th month 1710.

There was Collected $0^{l}-11^{s}-08^{d}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.- Rochester weekly meeting called - not appeared.

Judah Smith and John Tucker give this account - that they have spoken with Thomas Wait as appointed the last monthly meeting concerning his going to take a wife out of the good order of truth and have labored much with him in love to shew him the ill consequence that might follow, but he did not seem to take up with their advice.-

Therefore the matter is referred until further occasion William Soule and Judah Smith have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

William Soule, Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith make report that they have attended the Quarterly meeting as ordered

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 12th month 1710.

There was collected $0^{l}-07^{s}-10^{d}$.

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Soule and William Wood appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - and none appeared.

This meeting is informed that Thomas Wait hath accomplished his marriage out of the good order Established amongst us, whereupon this meeting is concerned to give out a public testimony against his proceeding - and orders John Tucker to Read the same on a first day before the next monthly meeting.

Which is as followeth — Whereas Thomas Wait of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts bay in New England - did for some time past come to our monthly meeting and did desire to be in unity with friends and to be married amongst friends in the good order Established amongst us
+ whereupon friends him under the care and admonition of the church, but he declining from that which he seemed to have a desire after and went about to take a wife out of the good order of friends, whereupon friends labored with him to persuade him to the contrary and to show him the Ill consequence that might follow - but he refused to take the advice of friends and went on to the accomplishing the same contrary to the good order Established amongst us -

Therefore this meeting is concerned to give forth a public testimony against the abovesaid Thomas Wait and do disown him to be one in society with us - Given forth at our monthly meeting the 19th day of the 12th month 1710.

Signed in behalf of said meeting by

John Tucker
Eleazer Slocum
Judah Smith
Increas Allen
William Soule

William Wood
John Lapham
Benjamin Howland
James Burrill
Abraham Tucker

Stephen Wilcocks
Nathaniel Howland
Nicholas Howland
Henry Tucker
William Wood Junr

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 26th day of the first month 1711.

There was collected $00^{l}-08^{s}-00^{d}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Soule and Benjamin Howland appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called none appeared.

John Tucker gives this meeting an account that he hath Read Thomas Waits condemnation as appointed.

William Wood and John Lapham are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

The visitors called to give an account how they find things in friends families as to the affairs of truth - and their answer is that they find things pretty well amongst friends

Judah Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meetings account with Benjamin Howland and bring the account to the next monthly meeting.

1711 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 16th day of the second month 1711

There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{08}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Soule appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called - and none appeared.

William Wood and John Lapham have attended the Quarterly meeting.

Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

Judah Smith has made up the monthly meetings accounts with Benjamin Howland and there remains in the Stock $\overset{l}{5}-\overset{s}{02}-\overset{d}{05}$.

And this meeting agrees that the orders Established amongst friends Shall be read at our monthly meeting once a quarter or oftener.

This meeting makes of John Tucker, Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer to go to visit Rochester preparative meeting and to know the reason why they have neglected to attend the monthly meeting and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

The Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting was read and well accepted.

Benjamin Howland and William Wood are appointed to assist the women friends in making Inquiry Concerning Abigail Allen allowing or encouraging the Cruel and unmerciful beating or whipping of her negro man Servant.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the twentyfirst day of the third month 1711.

There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{03}$.

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

It is agreed that the first day meetings at Acoaxet Shall be for this Summer, the first - first day in Every month.

Some difference presented to this meeting between Charles Dyer and John Lapham and Nicholas Lapham

Abraham Tucker Judah Smith William Soule Benjamin Howland and William Wood were chosen to hear and determine the said difference.

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker make report that they have visited Rochester weekly meeting as appointed, and they find things not well amongst them and that was the reason that they have neglected the monthly meeting.

The difference Concerning Charles Dyer and John and Nicholas Lapham is referred to the next monthly meeting for an answer.

Judah Smith Benjamin Howland and John Tucker are appointed to draw up Abigail Allen's Condemnation.

Rochester meeting gives an account that things are not so well amongst them as they should be, yet they think it best to labor further to get them amended.

And the meeting adjourns until the next fourth day come week.

Abigail
Allen

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 30th of the third month 1711 — hath given forth a paper of Abigail Allen's Condemnation and orders John Tucker to Read it or cause it to be read in public on a first day before the next monthly meeting — as followeth

Whereas Abigail Allen wife of Ebenezer Allen of the town of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England — having for many years frequen'ed the meetings of us the people Called Quakers and was joined in Society with us, but for want of keeping in true Subjection to that principle she made profession of — to wit, the Spirit of truth in her own heart, which Spirit will lead all them which are obedient unto it out of Every thing that is Contrary to the nature of it and is inconsistent with it. She hath been given over to hardness of heart to such a degree that she hath been not only Consenting but encouraging the cruel and unmerciful whipping or beating of her negro man servant, he being stripped naked and hanged up by the hands in his masters house and there beating or whipping of him so unmercifully that it is to be feared that it was in some measure the occasion of his death that followed soon after, the which wee do account is not only unchristian but inhuman, for which cause wee find ourselves concerned to testify to the world that wee do utterly disown all such actions and all who are found in them and particularly the person abovenamed.

And as it is our christian duty to pray for all people — wee do heartily desire Almighty God to open her understanding if it be his will, to give her to see her outgoings, that she may find a place of true repentance, before the time of her visitation be over. —

Given by our men and womens monthly meeting held by adjournment the 30th day of the third month 1711

Signed In behalf of said meeting by

Ruhamah Smith
Sarah Allen
Mary Lapham
Rachel Allen
Hannah Tucker
Hannah Soule
Benjamin Howland

Judith Howland
Dorcas Earle
Mary Smith
Ruth Smith
Ruth Tucker
John Tucker
William Soule

Judah Smith
Increas Allen
Eleazer Smith
William Wood
Deliverance Smith
Eleazer Slocum
Stephen Wilcocks

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting house In Dartmouth the 18th of the fourth month 1711

There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{02}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called — Judah Smith and William Soule appeared — Rochester weekly meeting Called — and not appeared —

The paper of Abigail Allen's Condemnation was Read according to order.

1711 The difference between John Lapham Nicholas Lapham and Charles Dyer is Ended.

William Soule Abraham Tucker and William Wood are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

William Wood is appointed to get a lock for the meeting house door and to be paid out of the Stock.

And the meeting adjourns until the first Sixth day in the fifth month

The meeting being met according to adjournment the Sixth day of the fifth month 1711.

Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay William Wood Eighteen pence for the lock for the meeting-house door.

The visitors give this meeting an account that they have not visited the families of friends this last Quarter.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 17th day of the fifth month 1711

There was collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{3}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called Eleazer Slocum and William Soule appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called – Elisha Wing appeared.

William Wood and William Soule give an account that they have attended the Quarterly meeting as ordered.

Judah Smith and John Tucker have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

There have been three Yearly meeting Epistles read in this meeting for to Stir up friends to faithfulness in keeping up truths testimony against wars and learning to war or paying for any Such thing.

This meeting doth advise the visitors that they be diligent in visiting the families of friends and advise them that they be careful to bear a faithful testimony against wars and learning of war, against paying of money for any Such thing.

And the matter concerning John Mendall is referred to the next Mo. meeting

Geo Fox's primers to be procured

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was Read and was kindly accepted – and we do agree with their proposals Concerning Sending to England for Some of George Fox his primers for Children to learn to read In, and the money to be taken out of our collection and Sent to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth the 20th of the 6th month 1711

There was collected $^{l}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{08}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called – Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called – Timothy Davis appeared.

The matter concerning John Mendall is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The friends chosen by the last preparative meeting of Dartmouth to go to Increas Allen's daughter to know whether the report be true of her being with child — the friends appointed make report, they have been with her and she acknowledges that she is with child, and takes all the blame and shame to herself and clears her parents.
This meeting finding a necessity to draw up a condemnation against her for it which being read and signed here is ordered to be read publicly on a first day at this meeting-house by William Soule, and make return to the next monthly meeting —

Which Condemnation is as followeth
To all people to whom this may come for the clearing of the truth —

Whereas Susannah Allen daughter of Increas Allen of Dartmouth notwithstanding she was educated amongst friends, yet not hearkening to ye spirit of God in her own heart nor advice of her parents and friends, but giving way to ye enemy and her own lusts, is with Child as herself acknowledgeth — these may signify we have no unity therewith, but Do utterly abhor and testify against all such ungodly actions and the spirit that leads thereunto and disown her for ye same but desire ye Lord may give her a sense of ye Evil of her doings and hearty sorrow and repentance and forgiveness for ye same.

From our monthly men and women's meeting held at Dartmouth ye 20th of the 6th month 1711

Stephen Wilcocks
Joseph Russell
Adam Mott
William Wood
William Soule
John Lapham
Ruhamah Smith
Mary Slocum
Mary Smith
Mary Lapham
Sarah Sanderz

Peleg Slocum
John Russell
Increas Allen
Eleazer Slocum
Josiah Merihew
Hannah Tucker
Hassadiah Russell
Hannah Cadman
Elizabeth Russell
Mary Laiton
Phebe Tucker

Benjamin Howland
William Wood Junr
Nathaniel Howland
Judah Smith
Abraham Tucker
Sarah Allen
Rachel Allen
Susanna Wilcocks
Ruth Tucker
Hope Merihew

And John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to procure a friend to keep ye meeting house for ye ensuing year.

And this meeting desires all friends yt were impressed this present year may bring in a true account to the next monthly meeting how they have borne up Truth's testimony in yt Case.

This meeting being informed that some friends or their children or both have given money to Encourage people to go to war or to excuse themselves or children from being impressed to go to war —

The visitors are Desired to make diligent inquiry therein and deal with all such and make report thereof to our next monthly meeting.

1711 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 17th of y^e 7th month 1711

There was collected for y^e use of friends $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{4}-\overset{d}{10}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared, and Susanna Allen her condemnation was read on a first day as ordered.

Judah Smith and Josiah Merihew have given in Friends impressed their accounts concerning their being impressed to y^e satisfaction of this meeting.

And some other friends y^t were impressed not being here, therefore it is referred until y^e next monthly meeting for them to give in their accounts.

Misbehavior of Friends children Judah Smith, Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are appointed to draw up something to clear y^e truth from y^e scandal y^t may be cast upon it by reason of some friends Children running together and wrestling on a first Day.

And this meeting is adjourned until y^e first sixth day of y^e 8th month.

This meeting being met according to Adjournment y^e 4th of y^e 8th M^o 1711

The 3 friends that were chosen to draw up a testimony against friends children going together and wrestling on first Days is not yet done, but it is desired y^t it may be done against the next monthly meeting in order y^t it may be signed.

And y^e visitors being called upon to give in their accounts of their visiting of friends families and how they find things amongst y^m and they report y^t they find y^m Loving - took their visits kindly - and where they saw anything out of order they spake to it and it was also well received, and promised to endeavor y^t it may be amended - and some things not well, but hope care will be taken about it.

William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend y^e Quarterly Meeting next.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account showing y^e Quarterly meeting how things are amongst us.

50 shillings for books William Wood is appointed to take y^e care of y^e 50 shillings y^t was agreed on at y^e last Quarterly meeting for us to send for books and deliver it to y^e Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to speak wth Daniel Shepherd and to give him to understand y^e order of friends and what he must expect if he come in unity wth us and be a member of this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house In Dartmouth ye 15th of ye 8th month 1711

There was collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{09}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. - Rochester weekly meeting - Called - not appeared.

And ye friends that were chosen ye last monthly meeting to draw up a Judgement against friends Children and Servants, going to wrestling is done and is as followeth -. And John Tucker is appointed to read the Same on a first day at the end of ye meeting for worship -

Friends Children Whereas we have been informed yt Several friends Children with others have been together on a first day of ye week a wrestling, wch hath brought trouble and reproach upon us and ye truth wch we profess, and now for ye Clearing of our Innocency we Declare against all Lewdness and vanity in such especially as are under our Care whom we do not allow to Run together on ye first Dayes of ye Week, nor any other times to be found in wrestling and what evils else of ye Like Tendency to draw out ye Mind Contrary to Godliness, and further for ye Preventing of ye above vanities and evils, we Caution, advise and warn all parents of Children, Masters and Mistresses of families yt are in Society with us ye People Called Quakers first to use their Authority in wisdom and truth wth their Children and Servants and if they Cannot Reclaim ym then we as a Society of Church being Seasonably made acquainted therewith Shall by God's assistance use our utmost endeavors to Reclaim them, Which if we Cannot Do then shall not only testify against such practices but also against ye person or persons so offending and Declare publicly yt they are not of us —

Signed by order and in behalf of our monthly meeting held at our meeting house the 15th of the 8th month 1711

by John Tucker — Nathaniel Howland — William Wood
Increas Allen — Peleg Slocum — Benjamin Howland
Eleazer Slocum — James Burrill — William Soule
Thomas Tuber junr — John Lapham — Josiah Merihew
Stephen Wilcocks — Judah Smith — Jabez Barker
Charles Dyer — Nicholas Lapham

John Tucker and Judah Smith have given ye Quarterly meeting an account how things are amongst us as appointed.

John Tucker and William Wood report that they have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed,

And William Wood hath delivered ye money to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

ye matter Concerning Daniel Shepherd is referred to the next monthly meeting -

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th Day of ye 9th Mo 1711

There was Collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called not appeared

1711 Nicholas Lapham hath given in his account how he Came clear of his being impressed to this meeting's Content, ---

And John Tucker Jun^{r} also hath given in his account to Content

Nicholas Lapham account of [illegible]

And are as followeth

I being impressed this last Summer 1711 in an expedition to go to Canada to war w^{ch} I refused for Conscience Sake, for I believe that I ought not to take up the Carnal Sword against any Nation or People - and Some time after I was had to James Sissons before Colonel Church and there was an order written and read to me wherein I was Commanded to go to Roxbury and Commit myself to Colonel William Dudley w^{ch} I could not find freedom to do neither, - and after that I was warned to go to the Castle Island lying near to Boston to take up arms, w^{ch} I refused also, and on y^{e} 16th Day of y^{e} 6th month Lieutenant John Akin Came to my house wth Several with him for aid and Said Akin Took me by force and Dragged me out of my House and then Commanded his aid to assist him w^{ch} they Did and took mee and Set mee on Horse Back and held mee on and Carried me to Timothy Maxfields and then Committed me to the Custody of John Briggs ensign who Carried me y^{e} next Day to Bridgewater and y^{e} next day to y^{e} Castle w^{ch} was y^{e} last day of y^{e} week, being near night I was had before y^{e} Captain of y^{e} Castle and he asked me whether I would take up arms, I told him That I should not take up y^{e} Carnal weapon, so he Commanded the officer to take Care of me till second day, and then I was brought before y^{e} Captain of y^{e} Castle again the 2nd day morning, and he asked me whether I would work there, I told him no, for w^{ch} I was put into a close place Called y^{e} Hole or Dungeon and there to be kept without victuals or Drink, but was Let out again the same Day near sun Set, and there was Still kept at y^{e} Castle and often urged to work, but could not, although told that if I would work y^{t} I should be released in a little time, but if not I might be put aboard Some man of war, but I Could not Meddle. At y^{e} end of 4 weeks and 2 days I was released and brought off and Set at Liberty without paying or giving any money

Nicholas Lapham

Here follows a copy of John Tucker Jun^{rs} paper which he gave in also at y^{e} said monthly meeting

John Tucker Jun.

I, being impressed y^{e} Last Summer in an expedition to Canada to war, but I was Counted too young by Colonel Church and so not put upon that expedition, - but afterwards on a first Day of y^{e} week after meeting Lieutenant Akin having an order from Colonel Benjamin Church to carry y^{e} men that Said Akin had impressed to go to the Castle whereupon the said John Akin Commanded me to go, but I refused to go with him, then he commanded Thomas Briggs and Jonathan Tallman to Lay hold on me, but they did not, But

Let me alone till the first day following, it was ye 16th day of ye 6th month

And then John Briggs and Thomas Cornell son of Stephen Cornell Came to my fathers house in the Morning and took me by force and Set me on horse-back and Carried me to Bridgewater that day and ye next day to ye Castle, which was ye Last day of ye week, being near night I was Sent before the Captain of ye Castle and he asked me whether I would take up arms and I told him no.

So he Commanded the officer to take Care of me till Second day And then I was brought before ye Captain of ye Castle again the Second Day morning and he asked me whether I would Worke there - I told him I would Consider of it, and he said I must not Stand there to Consider of it, but must go to work or go into ye Hole and Consider of it there - And I went to work about half an Hour, and then I went up to him and told him that I could work no more there, and he said I should go into ye hole and then lie I would work, but ye officer came to me the next day and asked me whether I would work, and I said no, and they said yt I must go into the hole, but they did not put me in, but threatened to put me in or Carry me aboard Some Man of war, but I could not meddle,

And at the end of 4 weeks and 2 Days I was Released and brought off and Set at Liberty without giving of any money

John Tucker Junr

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to Speak with Daniel Shepherd Junr and give in their account to the next monthly meeting

This meeting orders yt Benjamin Howland should pay Joshua Easton 8 Shillings and 7d for ye mending a glass at ye meeting House.

Seats of [illegible]

And the friends that were to see that the meeting House Seats were finished are Desired to Speak with the Carpenter and see Whether he will finish yt in any reasonable time and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Acoaxet friends Desire that they may have their first Days meeting for the winter Season as usual which is granted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 10th month 1711

There was collected 9 Shillings and Seven pence

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called none appeared.

John Tucker and Judah Smith are still Continued to Speak with Daniel Shepherd.

Benjamin Howland hath paid 8 Shillings and Seven pence as ordered ye last monthly meeting

ye friends that were to Speak with ye Carpenter Report that he

1711 will finish y^e Seats this winter.

[illegible] A paper being presented to this meeting from Abigail Allen wherein she Signifies that she Desires to come into unity with friends and y^e Sense of this meeting is that she Should wait till friends have a sense that she is still to be accepted, and Eleazer Slocum and William Soule are appointed to give her y^e mind of y^e meeting.

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And y^e visitors are Called upon to give in y^e account how they find things among friends - and their account is as followeth that they [illegible] not but that things are pretty well among friends but they have not been out to visit friends families this Last Quarter.

John Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to draw an account to y^e Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 27th Day of the 11th month 1711.

There was collected 9 shillings and 2d

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called - not appeared

[illegible] John Tucker hath spoken with Daniel Shepherd Jr as appointed and he Desires to sit in the monthly meeting of business w^{ch} is granted He observing y^e order there established.

Abigail Allen hath had y^e mind of y^e Last Monthly meeting and she saith that she is willing to give what satisfaction the meeting Desireth, and it is y^e mind of this meeting that she ~~conde~~ Condemn the said things in particular for which she was denied in writing to be exposed as far as friends Think fit, and then wait till by her good fruits she Manifests to y^e meeting that she has Really Come in by amendment of Life - - -

Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are to let her have a Copy of this minute.

Business Mtg to be Select. William Wood is added to the other two friends to Have the oversight of our monthly meetings for business that none sit in them but such as are allowed.

The Epistle from the Last Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th Day of y^e 12th month 17$\frac{11}{12}$

There was collected 4^s -

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum have spoken with Abigail Allen and given her the mind of y^e meeting with a copy of y^e minute as appointed.

Jas Burrill Book. A small book of James Burrill's Late of Dartmouth deceased was presented to this meeting for ye Approbation of ye Meeting for ye printing of ye Same

William Soule Benjamin Howland John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to peruse the same and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to let Rochester preparative meeting know that ye monthly meeting hath had no account from them these several monthly meetings, — and to write to ye visitors there that they perform a general visit against ye next preparative meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the first month 1712

Collected and received for Books $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{15}-\overset{d}{00}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called — Judah Smith and William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called — Elisha Wing appeared

Book of Jas Burrill And ye friends that were chosen to peruse the Book that was presented to ye Last monthly meeting in writing report that they find nothing but that it may be printed.

And this meeting Recommends ye said book to the Quarterly meeting for their perusal and concurrence therein.

Abraham Tucker and John Tucker make report that they have written to Rochister preparative meeting and to ye visitors as appointed.

Addition to Mtg house The business of Dartmouth meeting called —

The friends that were appointed to see the addition of ye meeting house completed saith that it is done, and there is due to ym fourteen pence, and this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay it out of the Stock.

A paper was Signed at this meeting Concerning Deborah Smith's proceeding in marriage contrary to the order of friends and is as followeth — .

recorded

John Tucker is appointed to read ye Same on a first Day at ye Latter end of the meeting before the next monthly meeting.

1712 From Rochester no business—
The visitors Called to give in the account of their visiting Rochester give an account yt things are pretty well and encouraging
Dartmouth visitors give their account that things in the general are pretty well, some particulars not so well as we desire.
And this meeting is adjourned till the 4th day of the 2nd month next

This meeting being met according to adjournment
The 4th Day of the 2nd month 1712

Benjamin Howland, Eleazer Slocum and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next showing how things are amongst us.

Deliverance Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meeting's account with Benjamin Howland and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st of the Second month 1712

There was Collected $\overset{£}{00}$-$\overset{s}{11}$-$\overset{d}{00}$- and one and four pence for books

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called - and none appeared

Judah Smith and John Tucker have drawn up the account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

Benjamin Howland, William Wood and Eleazer Slocum have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed

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John Tucker reports that he hath Read Deborah Smith's now Deborah Allens Condemnation as appointed.

Deliverance Smith is still Continued to make up the monthly meetings account with Benjamin Howland.

The business of Dartmouth weekly meeting Called,
Abram Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to take Care that the widow Sarah Allen's Son doth not sell the Inheritance that she is to have her living out of, without good provision for her livelihood During her life.

This meeting agrees to build a stable twenty foot one way and ten foot the other way for the use of traveling friends,
And Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to get the work done and finished by the last of the Seventh month 1712

And they have liberty to join a stable to it for their own use.

John Oxley goes to Nantucket

Joseph Russell Junr is to get a passage for John Oxley to go to Nantucket and the meeting is to pay the charge,

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the third month 1712

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called - Savery Clifton appeared

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{03}$

Deliverance Smith hath made up the monthly meeting's account with Benjamin Howland as appointed and there remains in the stock $\overset{£}{7}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{03}$

John Tucker and Abraham Tucker according to the order of the last monthly meeting make Report that they have taken sufficient Care for a suitable maintenance for the widow Sarah Allen.

Joseph Russell Junr. makes report that the meeting has nothing to pay for John Oxley's passage to Nantucket.

The friends on the other side Acoaxet river desire that they may have a meeting two first days in a month which is granted for this Summer,

Acoaxet Meeting - And the meeting is ordered to be at James Tripp's the first first day in Every month, and at William Wood's the second first day in Every month.

Rochester meeting called - no business.

Our next monthly meeting is adjourned until the fourth second day in the fourth month next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 23rd day of the 4th month 1712

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{00}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeard - Rochester weekly meeting called - not appeared

John Tucker hath provided a passage for friends to go to Nantucket as appointed by the last preparative meeting

John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting showing how the testimony of truth is kept up amongst us.

Burial ground. John Tucker, Judah Smith, John Russell, Stephen Wilcocks and Abraham Tucker are appointed to have the oversight of friends Burying ground and to see that it be kept clear of brush, and that friends bury in order, and that none be buried there but friends, and such as friends Allow of.

The visitors give their Account that they have not visited the families of friends Since the last Quarterly meeting but they Signify that for the time to Come they will be more diligent.

1712 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the twentyfirst day of the fifth Month 1712

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{07}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called — Judah Smith and William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called - and not appeared

And friends had a passage to Nantucket and back again with Jonathan Hathaway and he would not take anything for their passage.

William Wood and John Tucker have attended the Quarterly Meeting as appointed.

Judah Smith and John Tucker have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

This meeting being informed that Benjamin Russell hath taken an oath to serve in the place of a Constable Contrary to the Command of Christ for which he signifies he is sorry, and the Judgement of the meeting is that he should Condemn it before the Justice where he took it,

Deliverance Smith and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to see it done and make return to the next monthly meeting . .

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 6th month 1712

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{05}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared

Eleazer Slocum and Deliverance Smith have spoken with Benjamin Russell as appointed — and he says that he cannot Condemn his taking the oath of a Constable before the Justice, not yet.

Some difference presented to this meeting between Hezekiah Smith and his brother Deliverance Smith.

This meeting makes choice of Thomas Taber Jr Eleazer Slocum William Soule, Nicholas Howland, and Henry Tucker to hear and determine said difference and make return to the next monthly meeting

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read amongst us and was well accepted

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the seventh month 1712

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called — Judah Smith and William Soule appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - not appeared

The friends that were chosen to hear and determine the difference betwixt Hezekiah Smith and Deliverance Smith have given their Award, and it is ordered to be delivered to the parties Concerned.

The visitors give this meeting an account that they visited ye families of friends, and in some families things are pretty well and their visits kindly accepted, and in some others not well and their visits rejected.

Sarah Allen Son

And Sarah Allen hath ye Consent of this meeting to remove with her son into the Narraganset Country and hath given her a Certificate in order thereto.

And it's Left to the visitors to Labor with John Howland Concernin his going to marry Contrary to the order of truth.

John Lapham, William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th of the 8th month 1712.

There was Collected $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{02}-\overset{d}{10}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - William Wood and John Lapham appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called - Elisha Wing appeared

John Tucker, William Wood and John Lapham have attende the Quarterly meeting as appointed

John Tucker and Judah Smith have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting,

Charles Dyer desires a certificate from this meeting which is referred to the next monthly meeting,

The account from Rochester preparative meeting is that things are pretty well amongst friends,

Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are still Continued to get the Stable finished by the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th of ye 9th month 1712

There was Collected $\overset{l}{00}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{10}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called and none appeared

And friends have had some conference Concerning giving Charles Dyer a Certificate and nothing appearing against him the meeting appoints Judah Smith and John Tucker to draw one against the next monthly meeting.

Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are still Continued to get the Stable finished.

And friends on the other side of Acoaxet river are allowed to have their meetings there as formerly.

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to agree with a friend to keep the meeting house the ensuing year.

1712 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 10th month 1712

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{01}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called John Summers appeared

Chas Dyer And the friends appointed have drawn up a certificate for Charles Dyer which is allowed and signed by this meeting

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay Judah Smith twenty shillings for keeping the meeting house.

John Lapham Judah Smith and William Wood are appointed to draw up a paper of Condemnation against John Howland for his marrying contrary to the order of truth.

The visitors give an account that they have visited several friends families and they find things pretty well.

William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next

And Rochester meeting desires the monthly meeting to assist them in the settlement and security of their meeting house land.

And Thomas Taber and John Tucker are appointed to assist them.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

This meeting is adjourned till the next fourth day come week.

The meeting met according to adjournment the twenty fourth of the 10th month 1712

The visitors give their account that they have visited some families of friends and they find things out of order amongst some of friends Children and of some of them they have hope but of other some they have but little or no hope.

Stephen Wilcocks, Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to labor with them to bring them to a sight and sense of their outgoings, and make return of their doings to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting refers John Howlands Condemnation drawn up at the monthly meeting held the 15th of the 10th month 1712 to the Quarterly meeting for their advice whether a public testimony ought to go forth against the said Howland or not. Some friends of this meeting being dissatisfied thinking It ought not to go forth against him.

And Thomas Taber Junr proposes to this meeting that they may have
Acushnet another meeting of worship there once in a month, which is referred to the next monthly meetings Consideration.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 11th month 1712

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{l}{0}-\overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{01}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called - Elisha Wing appeared

And Benjamin Howland hath paid Judah Smith twenty shillings as appointed.

Deliverance Smith Stephen Wilcocks and Judah Smith have spoken with the young men as appointed by the last monthly meeting and the young men do not justify themselves in their being at John Akin's at an unseasonable time and they hope they shall do so no more.

Acushnet

And this meeting doth according to the Request of friends at Acushnet grant that they shall have another meeting of worship there which is to be the second first day in every month except it be when it falls out to be that first Day next before the monthly meeting of business.

William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed

London Epistle

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read amongst us and was kindly accepted, and ye Epistle from the yearly meeting in London was read amongst us and was kindly accepted.

John Tucker is appointed to get the yearly meeting minutes copied out for Rochester meeting.

William Soule is appointed to read John Howland's Condemnation on a first Day of the week before the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th of the 12th month 17$\frac{12}{13}$

There was Collected for the use of friends 0 - 10 - 01

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared

John Howland disowned.

Rochester weekly meeting Called - Nicholas Davis appeared John Howland's Condemnation was read as appointed and is as followeth,

From our monthly meeting held at Dartmouth the 15th of ye 10th month 1712

This is given forth for the Clearing of truth and friends,

Whereas John Howland the son of Nathaniel Howland hath been a man of a vain Conversation and not as becomes ye truth, and friends have Labored with him from time to time to bring him to a sight of those vanities which doth not become our holy profession, but he not hearkening to friends nor to the teaching of ye Grace of God which would teach him and all men to live soberly in this present world, and he refused to take the Counsel and advice given him by friends, but took him a wife out of the order of truth established amongst friends, all wch hath been greatly to ye trouble and grief of faithful friends, Therefore this meeting

1712 doth deny him to be one of us
Signed in behalf of said meeting
by John Tucker William Wood Junr Josiah Merihew
Stephen Wilcocks Judah Smith Nicholas Lapham
William Wood Eleazer Slocum Jabez Barker
Abraham Tucker Peleg Slocum Henry Tucker
John Lapham Increas Allen

John Tucker is Still continued to get the Yearly meeting minutes Drawn out for Rochester meeting

William Soule Deliverance Smith and Eleazer Slocum are Still Continued for to speak further with Benjamin Russell to know what he can Do for ye clearing of ye testimony of truth Concerning his taking the place of a Constable and that he attend the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th of ye 1st month 1713

There was Collected for ye use of friends 00-06-01

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared -

Rochester weekly meeting Called - not appeared

John Tucker hath Drawn out the Yearly meeting minutes for Rochester as appointed

And the matter Concerning Benjamin Russell is referred to ye adjournment

Whereas it was recommended to this meeting yt there is a report Spread abroad yt our friend Valentine Huttlestone did take an oath in ye Case of his giving evidence at Bristol Court Last past.

Benjamin Howland, John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to assist Valentine Huttlestone Concerning the Said report and to draw up Something that may clear truth and friends.

Benjamin Howland is appointed to pay John Tucker for Drawing out the abovesaid minutes.

And upon the request of ye visitors the meeting adjourns until the first Sixth Day of the 2nd month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 3rd Day of the 2nd month 1713

Our visitors give this meeting their account that they have visited most of ye families of friends and their visits were kindly accepted, and things pretty well as far as they Saw, and where things had been out of order wee have Labored in Love to bring them to a Sight of it.

Something Done towards Valentine Huttlestone his

1713 giving in his evidence Contrary to ye order of friends, and this meeting refers to ye Quarterly meeting whether it may be agreeable to ye testimony of truth for a friend to hold up his hand when he is called to give evidence to ye truth of what he knows in any case before Authority or otherwise.

Benjamin Howland William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw out an account to ye Quarterly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th Day of ye 2nd month 1713

There was collected 0-04-00

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

That matter concerning Benjamin Russell giving his paper of his Condemning of his taking his place of a Constable by an oath is referred

And it is advised by this meeting ye every friend that is master of a family Doth take Care of his family ye they be not concerned in writing of libels and to Labor to find them ye have been concerned in such papers - and ye friends take Care to bring their children to meeting on first days or keep them at home. Friends' Children

Benjamin Howland hath paid 00-04-00 for Drawing out ye Yearly meeting minutes for Rochester meeting.

Valentine Huttlestone's paper was read, and it is ye judgement of this meeting ye he read it at ye next Quarter Sessions or cause it to be read if there be not a bar, and take a friend or two to him.

ye friends ye were appointed to Draw an account to the Quarterly meeting have Done it.

William Wood hath attended ye Quarterly meeting.

Primers William Wood Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to Dispose of the primers and return ye money into ye Stock, The little ones 5 ye great ones at 11

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th Day of ye 3rd month 1713

There was collected for the use of friends 00-08-00

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

Nathaniel Chase having the honey taken out of a hive of bees by to Cause ye said hive of bees was lost some time in ye last winter and suspecting some friends children to have a hand in taking of said honey therefore William Wood John Lapham Judah Smith Jabez Barker and Henry Tucker are appointed to make inquiry, and search into the truth as far as they can, and make return of their Doings to ye next monthly meeting

1713 Deliverance Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meetings accounts with Benjamin Howland and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And whereas Eleazer Slocum Desires to be Suspended from being a visitor it is referred to ye next monthly meeting for a further Consideration

And ye meeting at Acoaxet is to be two first Days there in a month for this Summer, and to be the two first first Days in every month

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 22nd Day of the 4th month 1713

There was collected for the use of friends 00-09-00

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

Deliverance Smith hath made up the account of ye Collection of the monthly meeting and there is remaining in the Stock ten pounds eight Shillings and two pence

The five friends that were appointed to make search into ye truth of Nathaniel Chase his Suspecting of friends having a hand in taking of ye honey out from his bees they make return to this meeting that they cannot as yet find out the truth of ye matter, wherefore Thomas Taber Junr and Josiah Merihew are added to ym to make further inquiry into the truth of ye matter and make return of their Doings to the next monthly meeting

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next

The visitors give this meeting an account that they have not visited the families of friends this last quarter.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th Day of the 5th month 1713

There was collected 00-03-07

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared - Rochester weekly meeting Called and none appeared

The friends that were chosen to make inquiry into the matter concerning Nathaniel Chase his losing his honey out of a hive Do bring in the following account.

Friends according to the Desires of ye last monthly meeting wee have endeavored to Speak with George Howland the Son of Nathaniel Howland and the witnesses face to face but was prevented Speaking with him by his father who said his son was under him and he withheld him from us saying he would take the matter into his own hands and examine his Son and the witnesses himself, for the meeting had taken wrong steps and had concerned Themselves with business that did not belong to them

William Wood　　Judah Smith
Thomas Taber jun　　Josiah [illegible]
John Lapham　　Jaber Barker

And whereas Nathaniel Howland did charge the meeting with taking wrong steps in ye matter, said Howland has acknowledged his shortness to the satisfaction of the meeting

And whereas George Howland son of said Nathaniel Howland was a person suspected for taking ye honey Nathaniel Howland and Nathaniel Chase do give an account to this meeting that the matter is made up between them and satisfaction is made.

And the persons chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting Do give an account that they were not There and there was no account sent

Behaviour of [illegible]

And this meeting advises that friends restrain their Children and Servants from going into Companies on first Dayes before or after meeting but go home in good order.

And whereas several reports are brought to this meeting of friends Children getting together in Companies on first Days and being disorderly, William Wood Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker were appointed to inquire into ye truth thereof and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Last Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th Day of the 6th month 1713

There was collected　00-05-08

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and William Soule appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called Elisha Wing appeared.

Whereas William Wood Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker have not made inquiry concerning some of friends Children being out of order some time past on first Days, they are still continued to make inquiry into that matter.

Subscription for Dover [illegible]

It is concluded by this meeting to answer the request of ye Quarterly meeting to raise four pounds and ten shillings in money towards the building of Dover meeting house and ye Subscribers to bring in their money to the next monthly meeting.

No business from Rochester - but friends in Love and unity.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st Day of ye 7th month 1713

There was collected for the use of friends 00-03-05

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - John Lapham and Judah Smith appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called Savery Clifton appeared.

It is the conclusion of this meeting that whereas Valentine Huttlestone hath neglected the performing the meetings order concerning his confessing his fault at Bristol

1713 that unless he Doth take Some faithful friend wth him and Do it before next monthly meeting that judgement must go forth against him:

Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood do give an account to this meeting that they have inquired into ye Report Concerning friends Children being Disorderly on ye first Days of ye week and the young men do partly Deny the things they were Charged wth and in Some respects Confess their faults.

This meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay 02-07-06 out of the Stock unto William Wood for to Carry to the Quarterly meeting for Dover meeting-house.

Dover Mtg
[illegible]

William Wood and Thomas Taber junr are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting.

And Judah Smith and John Lapham are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly Meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th of ye 8th month 1713

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called - and none appeared

The matter concerning Valentine Huttlestone Is referred to the next monthly meeting

William Wood and Increas Allen are appointed to go to Valentine Huttlestone and his wife and inquire into ye truth of ye report Concerning her burning her husband's paper which ye monthly meeting ordered to be read at Bristol Court.

William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr have attended the Quarterly meeting.

And Judah Smith and John Lapham have Drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And we received ye Epistle from ye last Quarterly meeting wch was read and kindly accepted.

And it is Concluded ye friends on ye other side of Acoaxet river Should have their first Days meetings for ye winter Season as formerly.

The matter Concerning stirring up the Visitors or making a new Choice is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

The Collection was 00-08-00

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th Day of the 9th month 1713

There was collected for the use of friends 00-19-07

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called none appeared

The matter concerning Valentine Huttlestone is referred to the next monthly meeting and Increas Allen and Eleazer Slocum are ordered to Speak wth him and let him know that this meeting desires him to be at ye next monthly meeting in order to give friends better satisfaction concerning his progress in the matter at Bristol — and also to let his wife know that friends are troubled at her standing to justify her burning the paper and desire her to consider of ye matter that so she may give better satisfaction.

And the matter concerning the visitors being considered it is concluded that they go on wth the work of visiting, and John Tucker is added to ym.

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are still continued to take care of ye meeting house as formerly.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st of ye 10th month 1713

There was collected 00 - 04 - 11

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and John Lapham appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

Eleazer Slocum gives an account to this meeting that he has spoken with Valentine Huttlestone and his wife as ordered by the last monthly meeting and he signifies that the season was such that he could not well attend ye meeting therefore ye matter concerning him is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

Eleazer Slocum and William Wood are appointed to attend ye Quarterly Meeting next.

The visitors give an account yt they have visited most of the families of friends and that in some families they find things pretty well and in some families some things not very well, where they gave some admonition which they think was well taken.

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

Edw Wing
& Desire

Edward Wing and Desire Smith did lay their Intentions of marriage with each other before this meeting and they were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Howland and Henry Tucker are appointed to see into their clearness and bring in their answer to ye next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Howland is appointed to pay twenty shillings to John Tucker for keeping the Meeting House.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th of the 11th mo 1713

There was collected for ye use of friends 00 - 07 - 03

Dartmouth weekly meeting called — William Wood and John Lapham appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called Stephen Wing appeared.

1713 Edward Wing and Desire Smith did appear at this meeting for their answer as to marriage and they had their answer that they might take each other some time between this and the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to see the marriage accomplished in ye good order of truth.

The matter concerning Valentine and his wife is referred to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker hath drawn an account to the Quarterly Meeting as appointed

William Wood and Eleazer Slocum have attended ye Quarterly meeting.

Abigail Allen's paper of acknowledgement the publishing of it is referred to the Consideration of ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th of ye 12th month 1713

There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{03}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called Elisha Wing appeared

John Tucker and William Wood give an account that Edward Wing and Desire Smith did take each other in the order of truth

The matter concerning Valentine Huttlestone's wife is referred to ye next meeting.

Cost of Appurtenances — Those that were to build the stable have finished their work and do give the amount of their Charge to be seven pounds and nineteen Shillings — And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay said $\overset{£}{07}-\overset{s}{19}-\overset{d}{00}$ to John Tucker out of ye Collection.

And that matter concerning Abigail Allen is referred to the next monthly meeting for further Consideration.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and is ordered to be read publicly on a first Day at the Breaking up of the meeting of Worship.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th of the first month 1714

There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{11}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called Nicholas Davis appeared.

Abigail Allen's paper of her own acknowledgement is received by this meeting, and is as followeth,

To The monthly meeting to be held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 3rd month 1713

Whereas I have been encouraging and Consenting to the beating of my Negro Servant beyond what I now think is convenient for which I have been Condemned Self and am much troubled for the same and Do acknowledge I was off my watch at that time, and so hardness of heart got in, which and if I had kept to the Spirit of truth I had incouraged and consented to as abovesaid, So for the Clearing of truth and the testimony thereof, I give in these Lines Desiring that y^{e} Lord and his people might pass it by, and that I might Come into unity with his people again

Abigail Allen

Abigail Allen restored to membership

John Tucker is ordered to read it or order it to be read on a first Day before the next monthly meeting, and she to come into unity with friends again by her good Conversation.

Benjamin Howland hath paid John Tucker 07$^{£}$-19^{s}-00^{d} as appointed by the Last monthly meeting.

Henry Howland disowned

And this meeting hath an account from the preparative meeting that Henry Howland hath taken a wife out of the order of truth, and this meeting is concerned to give a public testimony against him and it is as followeth

Whereas Henry Howland of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having for several years been esteemed a member of our monthly meeting of Dartmouth aforesaid and been accounted one in unity with us yet hath of Late Contrary to the advice of friends and the Good orders established among y^{m} proceeded to take a wife; for w^{ch} reason this monthly meeting is Concerned to give forth this as a testimony against his so Proceeding and to Disown him being one in unity with us

Given forth at our monthly meeting in said Dartmouth The 15th Day of the 1 month 1714

Signed in behalf of said meeting by

Peleg Slocum	Benjamin Howland	Josiah Merihew
Increas Allen	Thomas Taber Jun^{r}	John Tucker
William Wood	Nicholas Davis	Jabez Barker
Eleazer Slocum	John Lapham	William Wood jun^{r}
Nathaniel Howland	Judah Smith	Nicholas Lapham

John Tucker is appointed to read the same or Cause it to be read.

William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend y^{e} Quarterly meeting next

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly Meeting.

And the visitors at Rochester give an account that they have visited y^{e} families of friends there and things are as well as can be well expected among them.

And this meeting is adjourned until the fourth Day next before y^{e} Quarterly meeting.

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 7th Day of the 2nd Month 1714

The visitors are Called to give an account of their visiting and their answer is as followeth

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th Day of the 2nd month 1714

There was collected for y^e use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{08}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

And the matter concerning Valentine Huttlestone is referred to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker hath read Abigail Allen her own condemnation as appointed.

And Henry Howland's condemnation was read.

William Wood and John Tucker hath attended y^e Quarterly meeting

And Judah Smith and John Tucker have drawn an account to y^e Quarterly Meeting

Christopher Gifford's charge against Richard Kirby being inquired into, and wee cannot find but that the matter is already ended by men of their own choosing.

The Quarterly and Yearly meeting Epistles were read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th of the 3rd m^o 1714

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{03}-\overset{d}{08}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

Benjamin Howland Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to speak wth Valentine Huttlestone concerning his neglecting answering the advice of friends in condemning his taking his oath in Bristol Court and make return of their Doings to y^e next monthly meeting.

Acoaxet. The meeting of worship on first Day at Acoaxet is ordered to be kept there constantly except the first Day next before y^e monthly meeting.

Thos Taber Ju^r to assist the Thomas Taber Jun^r is appointed to be helpful to peruse y^e monthly meeting minutes and fit y^m for to be recorded.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st Day of the 4th month 1714

There was collected for the use of friends £00 - 09s - 07d

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called Timothy Davis and Benjamin Bowerman appeared.

And Valentine Huttlestone hath condemned his so Long neglecting his Condemning his Taking an oath at Bristol Court.

Joseph Russell and John Tucker are appointed to be helpful to traveling friends for a Passage to Nantucket.

And the Visitors being called upon to Give an account of their visiting of friends families, they signify to this meeting that they have not made any progress in that work this Last Quarter.

Judah Smith Timothy Davis and John Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting shewing how the affairs of truth are amongst us.

Benjamin Howland is appointed to pay to John Tucker out of the stock £00 - 12s - 04d for keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th Day of ye 5th month 1714

There was collected for the use of friends £00 - 04s - 00d

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared - Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared

Judah Smith and John Tucker have Drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting, and they have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed

And Benjamin Howland hath paid to John Tucker twelve Shillings and 4 pence as ordered by the Last meeting

Whereas this meeting hath been Informed that William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum and Daniel Shepherd Junr have Been Disorderly in their voyage to the Yearly meeting at Nantucket, this meeting Doth appoint Eliashib Smith and Joseph Russell Junr wth ye Visitors to inspect into the said report whether it be true or not and make report how they find things to the next monthly meeting.

And the Epistle from the Last Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

Judah Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meeting account with Benjamin Howland and bring in the account to the next monthly meeting.

Land for
Bost
tg House

And it is agreed that the money sent for by the Quarterly meeting shall be raised for purchasing Land for the use of Boston meeting house.

1714 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 10th Day of the 6th month 1714

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{07}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - Joseph King appeared

The friends that were appointed to make inquiry concerning ye disorder of William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum and Daniel Shepherd Junr - and they find that the report concerning Daniel Shepherd is false, but for ye other two, things are not clear as yet, and the friends that were before appointed, are still continued to further inspect into the truth of said report and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Judah Smith hath made up the monthly meetings account wth Benjamin Howland and there remains in the Stock three pounds thirteen shillings and three pence.

Subscription
for land for
[illegible]
Meeting House

And this meeting hath made a subscription in part of pay for the land that Walter Newbury bought of William Mumford at Boston for the use of friends meeting house. And this meeting Desires the visitors to visit the families of friends by the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th of the 7th month 1714

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{01}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called none appeared.

And the matter concerning William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum is referred to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to attend the next Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker is appointed to receive the collection agreed upon at the last monthly meeting and to carry the money to ye Quarterly meeting.

The visitors give an account that they have visited the most of the families of friends, and for the most part they find things pretty well, and where wee found things not well wee Did advise that it should be amended.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th Day of the 8th month 1714

There was collected $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{03}-\overset{d}{04}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and John Lapham appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called and none appeared.

And the matter Concerning William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum is Referred to the next monthly meeting.

William Wood and John Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting. And John Tucker hath Carried the money to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

John Tucker and Judah Smith have Drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are ordered to take Care of the meeting house for the ensuing year.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th of the 9th month 1714

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{03}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - none appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called - Nicholas Davis appeared.

And the matter concerning William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum is referred to the next monthly meeting.

A paper presented to this meeting from the preparative meeting at Rochester Signifying that Benjamin Hilliard and Hannah Davis have proceeded in marraige contrary to the order of truth.

John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are appointed to Speak with them if they can with Conveniency and to shew them the evil of their proceeding, and to see how the young woman's parents have kept themselves Clear in that matter.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th of the 11th month 1714

There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{02}-\overset{d}{03}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called Stephen King appeared.

William Wood Judah Smith and William Barker are appointed to Speak wth William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum and let them know that if they will not give the monthly meeting Satisfaction for their outgoings then the testimony of truth will go against them.

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker have Spoken with Benjamin Hilliard and Hannah Davis Concerning their marrying Contrary to the Good order of truth and Did tell them the Disadvantage of it but they Seemed to incline to their own way, and we also Spoke wth Timothy Davis and his wife and by what they Said to us they were pretty Clear concerning that matter.

And Elisha Wing is appointed to read Benjamin Hilliard and Hannah Hilliard their Condemnation on a first Day at the end of the meeting, which is

1714 as followeth. — Whereas Benjamin Hilliard and
Hannah Davis now Hannah Hilliard the Daughter
Benjn Hilliard of Timothy Davis and Sarah his wife of Rochester
& Hannah Both of ym being under ye Care of friends have proceeded in
Hilliard marriage Contrary to ye advice of friends and ye Good order
disown'd established amongst us the Society of people Called
Quakers for wch their so Doing we Do disown ym and their
practice and we Desire ye Lord may give ym a Sight
of their outgoings and a heart of repentance.

Given forth by our monthly men and womens meeting
in Dartmouth the 20th of ye 10th month 1714

Peleg Slocum Ruth Tucker
Nathaniel Howland Benjamin Howland Phebe Tucker
John Tucker Josiah Merihew Mary Lapham
William Soule Judah Smith Mary Smith
Jabez Barker Stephen Wing Elizabeth Russell
John Lapham Joanna Mott Hannah Soule
William Wood Mary Slocum Rachel Allen
Stephen Wilcocks Hannah Tucker

And Whereas Hannah Bourne now Hannah Akin hath
Hannah Akin proceeded in marriage to one of the world Contrary to
disown'd the good order established among friends this meeting
is Concerned to give forth a Condemnation against her
wch is as followeth

Whereas Hannah Bourne now Akin
of ye town of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in ye
Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England
The said Hannah Akin hath been in time past one in
Society wth us the people Called Quakers and Did
marry a man in unity wth friends and also married him in
ye good order established amongst us, But for want
of keeping to Truth and to ye Good order thereof according
to her former proceedings in taking of her former Husband
but now hath Left us and her practice whilst amongst
us and set out her mind to a man not in Society wth us
and married him Contrary to the Good order of friends
although advised By friends to the Contrary.
Therefore this meeting is Concerned to give forth a publick
testimony against the abovesaid Hannah Akin and Do
Disown her to be one in Society wth us.

Given forth by our monthly men and womens meeting
held at our meeting house in Dartmouth
The 20th of ye 10th month 1714 Hannah Soule
John Tucker Stephen Wilcocks John Russell Ruth Tucker
Joseph Russell Stephen Wing Nicholas Lapham Mehetable Wing
Benjamin Howland Jabez Barker Joanna Mott Elizabeth Russell
William Wood Josiah Merihew Mary Slocum Mary Lapham
William Soule Abraham Tucker Hannah Tucker Phebe Tucker
John Lapham Nathaniel Howland Rachel Allen Mary Smith

Stephen Wilcocks John Lapham and Jabez Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next.

And the visitors give an account that they have not visited friends the last quarter, but hope that they shall give a general visit by the next Quarterly meeting.

And William Soule is appointed to read Hannah Akin her Condemnation before the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 24th of the Eleventh month 1714

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}$-04-$\overset{d}{00}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called Elisha Wing appeared

Those friends appointed the last monthly meeting to speak with William Soule Junr and Giles Slocum, have spoken with them, and they have Each of them Sent in a paper to this meeting wherein they acknowledge that they have been disorderly in their conversation and desire to be forgiven, and say they hope to be more Careful for time to come, but friends being doubtful of their sincerity do at present refer the matter for further trial to see whether their future Conversation will be answerable to their pretense.

John Lapham and Jabez Barker did attend the Quarterly meeting as they were appointed.

And John Tucker and Judah Smith have drawn up and sent an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And William Soule did read Hannah Akin her Condemnation as appointed.

And Elisha Wing did read Benjamin Hilliards and Hannah Hilliards Condemnation as appointed.

And whereas Mary Smith is married Contrary to the order of truth and this meeting agrees that Condemnation shall go against her, and Thomas Taber and John Tucker are appointed to draw her condemnation against the next monthly meeting.

And Benjamin Howland has paid John Tucker twelve Shillings for Keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the twenty first day of the twelfth month 1714

There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}$-$\overset{s}{05}$-$\overset{d}{07}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called Savory Clifton appeared.

Nichol[illegible]

Nicholas Davis and Mary Summers did lay their Intentions of marriage before this meeting, and they were

1714 desired to wait for their answer until the next monthly meeting

And Savery Clifton and John Tucker are chosen to see into their clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting

Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker hath drawn up Hezekiah Smith's daughter Mary her Condemnation and it is signed by the meeting, and is as followeth

Mary Trafford [illegible]

Whereas Mary the daughter of Hezekiah Smith and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been one and under ye care of our meeting yet hath of late contrary to the good order Established among friends and without the knowledge of her father proceeded in marriage to the reproach of the truth professed amongst us and to the grief of the sober minded we are therefore concerned to give our testimony against the said Disorderly and unbecoming action and Do Disown the said Mary now the wife of Thomas Trafford to be one of us the people called Quakers, Desiring that she may come to a sight of her outgoing and return if it be the will of the Lord.

Given forth by our monthly meeting of men and women held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 12th month 1714

Peleg Slocum
John Tucker
Abram Tucker
John Summers
Increas Allen
Eleazer Slocum
Stephen Wilcocks
Savery Clifton
Nicholas Davis
Benjamin Howland
Henry Tucker
William Soule
William Wood

John Lapham
William Wood Jr
Joseph Russell Jr
Judah Smith
Jabez Barker
Thomas Taber Junr
Thomas Hathaway
Joanna Mott
Mary Slocum
Rachel Allen
Hannah Tucker
Hephziba Hathaway

Mary Lapham
Elizabeth Summers
Hannah Soule
Susanna Wilcocks
Mary Lapham
Phebe Tucker
Mary Russell
Mary Smith
Mary Layton
Tabitha Wait
Abigail Chace
Ruth Tucker

And William Soule is appointed to read the same on a first Day at the end of a meeting before the next monthly meeting

Benjamin Howland and John Tucker are appointed to speak with Nathaniel Smith concerning his telling the Justice that his Sister Mary had her father's consent to be married to Thomas Trafford and that they were lawfully published, and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and was kindly accepted.

Returning [illegible]

And it is Desired that friends may take it into their consideration how or what method friends that Travel into foreign Parts how they may return that the meeting to whom they belong may be sensible that they have behaved themselves according to truth

And it is advised that the visitors go forward in their visiting of friends families and give their account to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

And whereas there has been some Difference of late among some friends belonging to this meeting about the Laying out of the Cedar Swamps and it has been so managed that as is thought by this meeting so as to bring a reproach upon friends and a Dishonor to ye truth Professed amongst us it is therefore Concluded to Choose some friends to inquire into that matter and where they find that any have been off from their watch, to endeavor to bring them to a sense of it, so that if it be possible, to bring friends into love and unity, and to give an account to ye next monthly meeting how they find things relating to ye matter, and where any cannot be brought, in the judgment of those friends to a sight of their faults they are to Let ym know that this meeting Desires ym to be at the next monthly meeting in order to satisfy the meeting, and Benjamin Howland Stephen Wilcocks and William Soule are Chosen on that account.

And the next monthly meeting is adjourned to the 4th second day of the next month.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 28th Day of the first month 1715.

There was Collected for the use of friends ...00£-00s-00d

Dartmouth weekly meeting Called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting Called — none appeared.

Nicholas Davis and Mary Summers came for their answer as to taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder their said intentions they had their answer that they may Take each other in the Good order established amongst us.

Benj
Bowerman
and Hannah
Their
Intentions

And Benjamin Bowerman and Hannah Wing did Lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and they were Desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting

Savery Clifton and John Lapham are appointed to inspect into their Clearness and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting.

Savery Clifton and John Tucker are chosen to see Nicholas Davis and Mary Summers solemnize their marriage in the Good order of truth.

And Mary Trafford her Condemnation was read

Benjamin Howland and William Soule according to appointment brought in an account in relation to the difference about ye Cedar Swamp wch is ordered to be recorded, and is as followeth

To the monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 28th of the first month 1715

We whose names are underwritten have inquired into that difference amongst friends concerning the Cedar Swamps and they have in a General manner acknowledged to each other their Shortness in so Doing to our great satisfaction and mutual Comfort and they have forgiven each other and are come into Love and unity again, and

1715 So wee pray the Lord to keep them and us in that Spirit to the end of our Days

Benjamin Howland
William Soule

Eleazer Slocum William Wood and John Tucker are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting

And this meeting is adjourned till the next fourth Day come week

The meeting being met according to adjournment the first Day of the 2nd month 1715

Benjamin Howland and John Tucker make report to this meeting that they have spoken with Nathaniel Smith concerning his going before the Justice and there signifying that his Sister Mary Smith had had her Parents' Consent to marry wth Tho. Trafford wch was no such thing, and he hath condemned the same and says he is sorry for so Doing and Hopes he shall Do so no more.

And this meeting hath sent 17 Shillings and three pence for 14 Books, sent by the Quarterly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th Day of the 2nd mo 1715

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{00}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - John Lapham and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared

Savry Clifton and John Lapham make report to this meeting that they find nothing but that Benjamin Bowerman and Hannah Wing may proceed in marriage, and they appeared in this meeting for their answer and they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the order of truth.

Thomas Taber junr and Joseph Wing are appointed to see their marriage accomplished according to order.

John Tucker and Judah Smith have Drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting. and John Tucker and William Wood have attended ye Quarterly meeting

And John Tucker has carried the money to pay for the books as appointed.

And this meeting received the Epistle from the Last Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th Day of the 3rd month 1715

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{00}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared

The friends Chosen to see the marriages Solemnized in the Good order of truth at Rochester have Been at said marriages, and make report that they were accomplished according to order.

Sub. scription for Salem to Meeting

And at this meeting there was a subscription made towards the building of Salem meeting House and friends are Desired to bring in their money to the next monthly meeting.

It is advised that friends be careful of their Children that go abroad to yearly meetings, that they bring no Dishonor to the truth professed by us.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th Day of ye 4th month 1715

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - Joseph Wing appeared.

Subscription towards building a meeting house at Salem

And the subscription that was made the Last monthly meeting for Salem meeting House is brought into this meeting in order to be sent to the Quarterly meeting next, and the sum is £7-03-00d

Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting next, and carry ye money Gathered for Salem meeting House.

The visitors are called to give in their accounts of their visiting of friends families and they signify to this meeting that they have not been out upon that service since the Last Quarter.

And this meeting advises the visitors for time to Come to be more Diligent in their service of visiting, that so the monthly meeting may have a better account how things are amongst us once a Quarter.

This meeting orders Benjamin Howland to Let Judah Smith have 25 Shillings out of the stock for keeping the meeting House.

Thomas Taber Jun' and John Tucker are appointed to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to get the Meeting House Land laid out.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th Day of ye 5th Mo 1715

There was collected for the use of friends 00-08-08d

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Deliverance Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared.

Benjamin Howland hath paid Judah Smith twentyfive shillings as appointed.

John Tucker hath Carried the money to the Quarterly meeting as ordered.

1715 Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker did Draw an account to the Quarterly meeting as they were appointed.
And Deliverance Smith and John Russell are ordered to procure a quantity of Land and Get it Laid out, for the benefit of the fire-wood.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 6th month 1715
There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{00}$
Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and John Lapham appeared.
Rochester weekly meeting Called - not appeared.

Epistle from Y M of Ministers

The Yearly meeting Epistle from the ministers was read in this meeting and also the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting and both well accepted.
Deliverance Smith was appointed to make up the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th of the 7th month 1715
There was Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{06}$
Dartmouth weekly meeting Called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester weekly meeting called - Nathan Summers appeared.
Deliverance Smith hath made up the monthly meeting account with Benjamin Howland as appointed the Last monthly meeting and there remains in the Stock four pounds seven Shillings and three pence.
This meeting makes Choice of William Wood to be a visitor.
A report is made to this meeting concerning the Disorderly walking of William Soule Junr, and Peleg Slocum Junr and Eleazer Slocum Junr.
Deliverance Smith, Judah Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to inspect into the truth of Said report and make return how they find things to the next Monthly Meetg
Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Distraint on Goods of Wm Wood

William Wood brings in an account of one hundred and seventeen pounds of cheese taken from him for his Sons not training, by William Bowdish clerk of the western military Company in Dartmouth under Nathaniel Soule Lieutenant; The cheese is esteemed worth forty four Shillings for three pounds Demanded.
The meeting is adjourned to the 12th day of ye next month.

The meeting being met according to adjournment the 12th Day of the 8th month 1715
The visitors give this meeting an account that

they have visited the most of the families of friends but not all, and they find that some friends Children are much out of order, and some families pretty well.

John Tucker and Abram Tucker are Chosen to Draw an account to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th Day of the 8th month 1715

There was collected for the use of friends £0-05-00

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting called not appeared

Ja. Barker and Elizth Tucker intentions

James Barker and Elizabeth Tucker did say their intention of marriage with each other before this meeting, and they were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

John Lapham and Josiah Merihew are appointed to make inquiry into their Clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting

Deliverance Smith Judah Smith and Henry Tucker they are still continued to inquire whether the report be true Concerning the three young men, or not.

Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood did attend the Quarterly meeting as they were appointed.

Abram Tucker and John Tucker did send an account to the Quarterly meeting

Additional seats for [illegible]

Deliverance Smith and Benjamin Howland are appointed to get some addition of Seats made in the Galleries of the meeting House if they can against the yearly meeting, and the monthly meeting to pay the charge.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st Day of ye 9th month 1715

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and John Lapham appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared.

James Barker and Elizabeth Tucker came for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the order of truth.

John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to see that they accomplish their marriage according to order and make the return to the next monthly meeting.

Robert Tripp sufferings by distraint

A paper presented to this meeting by Robert Tripp signifying that William Bowdich took from him a Steer worth 50 Shillings for neglecting to train nine Days, which is allowed to be presented to the Quarterly meeting

A report to this meeting concerning some friends being somewhat out of order, and Deliverance Smith Benjamin Howland John Lapham and Thomas Taber are appointed to inspect into the truth of the said report.

A paper presented to this meeting from Rochester signifying that Patience Clifton hath had a child without a husband. John Tucker and Thomas Taber are appointed to Draw her condemnation.

1715 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th Day of the 10th month 1715

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth weekly meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared William Wood and John Tucker Give an account that James Barker and Elizabeth Tucker did take each other in marriage in the order of truth.

The friends that were chosen the Last monthly meeting to inspect into the truth of the report that was reported of Eleazer Smith Not behaving himself according to our profession is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Patience Clifton [illegible]

Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker have Drawn up Patience Clifton her Condemnation as ordered. and it was signed at this meeting, and Elisha Wing is ordered to read it at Rochester on a first Day at the end of a meeting of worship

Mtg house at Acoaxet.

It is agreed at this meeting that there shall be a meeting house built on the other side of Acoaxet river 28 foot wide and 34 foot long and 16 or 17 foot studs.

And there is nothing Done as to visiting the Last Quarter. John Tucker Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

John Tucker and Abram Tucker are chosen to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to procure a friend to keep the meeting house the ensuing year:

And the next monthly meeting is adjourned until the fourth second Day in the next month.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 23rd Day of the 11th month 17$\frac{15}{16}$

There was collected $\overset{£}{00}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{06}$

Dartmouth meeting Called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

The friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended according to order.

Abraham Tucker and John Tucker have drawn up the account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting in ye 8th month and the Epistle from the Last Quarterly meeting were both of them read and kindly accepted.

And Patience Clifton her Condemnation was read as ordered, and is as followeth,

Whereas Patience Clifton the Daughter of Savery Clifton and Dorothy his wife of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in New England having been educated among friends and under the care of our meeting hath by giving way to the evil one, fallen into the unclean sin of fornication (being of

Late delivered of a bastard Child) to the dishonor of God, the reproach of the truth, and grief of all those amongst us who sincerely Desire ye prosperity of Zion. We are therefore Concerned to give forth this as a public testimony against that wicked and detestable action and do deny the said Patience Clifton to be one of us the people of God called Quakers, Desiring that if it be the will of God she may through unfeigned Repentance, obtain pardon for this, her great wickedness and all other her outgoings.

Given by our men and women's monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th of ye 10th month 1715

John Tucker
Abraham Tucker
Eleazer Slocum
William Wood
Stephen Wilcocks
John Lapham
Joseph Russell
Deliverance Smith
James Tripp

Judah Smith
Hezekiah Smith
Henry Tucker
Thomas Hathaway
Joseph Taber
Josiah Merihew
Wm Wood Junr
Jabez Barker
Eliashib Smith

Ruth Tucker
Rachel Allen
Hannah Tucker
Elizabeth Russell
Mary Lawton
Mary Smith
Mary Lapham
John Russell
Nicholas Lapham

[illegible]

And James Tripp is employed by this meeting to build a meeting-house for the use of friends on the west side of Acoaxet river thirty foot long, twentyeight foot wide, and 16 or 17 foot Stud, and the monthly meeting to defray the charge, and it is concluded that the house abovesaid should be finished by the 15th Day of the 8th month next.

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay Jabez Barker for boards that were used about the meeting house $\overset{£}{1}$-$\overset{s}{03}$-$\overset{d}{0}$ out of the Stock

The friends that were chosen to inspect into the disorder of Some friends bring in their account as followeth

Dartmouth the 20th of the 11th month 17$\frac{15}{16}$

We being chosen by the monthly meeting in the 9th month 1715 to inquire Concerning Eleazer Smith and Thomas Smith their unseemly words and behavior at Seth Pope's, and we do find that Thomas Smith in his words and actions was too Light and airy for one professing truth, which he readily owned, but as to their being in drink, we don't find they were, and we do advise him for time to come, that he be Careful that he do not Speak nor act so as to bring a Reproach upon the truth, and the professor of it. and we do advise that Hezekiah Smith and John Lapham, and all friends to be careful in reporting anything of friends, and not to strain things beyond what they are, but to Consider which will be most for the honor of the truth, Whether to Speak or to Keep Silent

Deliverance Smith
Benjamin Howland

The business of Rochester meeting Called.

And an account was brought to this meeting of Several friends that are deceased at Rochester of late, In order to be recorded.

1715 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th Day of y^e 12th month $17\frac{15}{16}$

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and Deliverance Smith appeared - Rochester meeting called - none appeared

Subscription [illegible] This meeting hath concluded to come to a Subscription to pay for the building of the meeting house at Acoaxet.

And Benjamin Howland hath paid Jabez Barker $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{03}-\overset{d}{00}$ as appointed at the Last meeting.

[illegible] And this meeting has appointed Stephen Wilcocks and Thomas Taber Jun^r to purchase a piece of Land to set the meeting house upon on the west side of Acoaxet River.

And this meeting advises the visitors to diligence in their service so that there may be a full account given to the next monthly meeting

Collection for above. And Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to receive the Collection for Acoaxet meeting house, and to pay it out as there may be need, and forasmuch as it is difficult to get small money, it is agreed to have our Collection once a quarter, and to collect for the Quarter past, next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th Day of the 1st month $17\frac{15}{16}$

There was collected for y^e use of friends 13 shillings

Dartmouth meeting called - Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared. - Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

The visitors were called upon to give in their accounts which they did, and is as followeth,

That they have visited the most of friends families under their care and their visits for the most part were kindly accepted, and in some friends families they find things pretty well, and in some others, not so well as they could desire, where they gave such advice as they thought suitable to their Condition

Eleazer Slocum and Thomas Taber Jun^r are appointed to attend The Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^r are appointed to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting how things are amongst friends relating to truth.

Subject of Slavery. And it being proposed by some friends to this meeting whether it be agreeable to truth to purchase slaves and keep them term of Life w^{ch} is referred to y^e consideration of the Quarterly meeting.

[illegible] Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith brought in their account of their charge in their building of of the new gallery w^{ch} is $\overset{£}{01}-\overset{s}{18}-\overset{d}{04}$ which Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay out of y^e stock. He is also ordered to pay Judah Smith 13^s out of the stock towards keeping the meeting house, which sum y^e said Benjamin Howland forthwith paid.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th Day of ye 2nd month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

And Eleazer Slocum and Thomas Taber Junr have Drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And the widow Mary desired the advice of this meeting concerning the putting her son an apprentice to Robert Tripp to learn the trade of a tanner which this meeting doth agree to.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted. The business of the preparative meeting is that friends be careful to make their wills for the settlement of their estates in time.

At a monthly meeting the 21st day of the 3rd month 1716

Dartmouth weekly meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.- Rochester weekly meeting called - none appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and there is no business presented from the preparative meeting.

A a monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 4th month 1716

There was collected for the use of friends $1^{£}-0^{s}-0^{d}$

Darlmouth weeky meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called, and the business of Rochester.

Deed of Acoaxet [illegible]

And whereas there is occasion for the choice of some friends to be chosen to take a deed of some land to set Acoaxet meeting house upon, the meeting makes choice of Stephen Wilcocks William Wood Henry Tucker and Thomas Taver Junr and Joseph Taver to be the persons to take said deed.

And Eleazer Slocum and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 5th month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared.

And the two friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended as appointed.

And John Tucker makes report to this meeting that there was an account Drawn up and sent to the Quarterly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called, and the business of Rochester meeting called.

1716 From Dartmouth meeting no business;

A paper being presented to this meeting signifying that John Summers hath gone about to take a woman of ye world to wife Contrary to the good order Established among friends and Stephen Wilcocks Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker are appointed to speak with said Summers to know whether he will Condemn his outgoing, and Clear Truth or not, and make return of their doings to ye next monthly meeting.

And the Quarterly meeting epistle was Read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 6th month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

And Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith are appointed to see the young Couple declare their intentions of marriage before the monthly meeting in order.

Eleazer Slocum
[illegible]
intentions

Eleazer Slocum Junr and Deborah Smith the daughter of Deliverance Smith both of Dartmouth did lay their intentions of marriage, and they were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer, and Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith are appointed to inquire into their clearness wth respect to marriage and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And those appointed to Speak with John Summers do bring in an account that they have been with him, and he Justifies his actions, wherefore this Meeting Concludes that he Still Remains under dealing,

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of the 7th month 1716

There was collected for ye use of friends £00-13-00

Dartmouth meeting Called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting Called and none appeared.

The two friends that were chosen the Last Monthly meeting to inspect into the two young friends Clearness as to marriage make Report that they find nothing but that Eleazer Slocum Junr and Deborah Smith might proceed. and Eleazer Slocum Junr and Deborah Smith came for their answer concerning their taking each other in marriage, and they had their answer that they might take each other in ye Good order of truth.

And Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith are appointed to see ye marriage solemnized in ye Good order of truth, and make return to ye next monthly meeting. The business of Dartmouth Meeting Called,

Jas Tucker
ce

James Tucker desires a Certificate from this meeting, and Jabez Barker and Josiah Merihew are appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness Concerning marriage and conversation, and make report how they find things to ye next monthly meeting, and provide a certificate accordingly.

And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay Judah Smith 25 Shillings out of the monthly meeting Stock for keeping the meeting house.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye first sixth day in the week in the 8th month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of ye 8th month 1716

The visitors give this meeting an account that they have visited pretty Generally the families of friends belonging to this meeting and in a general way they find things pretty well as far as they saw.

And Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to draw an account showing how things are amongst us Relating to truth's affairs, to ye Quarterly meeting next.

And Increas Allen and Abraham Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 8th month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called,

And Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith do make report to this meeting that ye marriage between Eleazer Slocum Junr and Deborah Smith hath been solemnized in the good order of truth.

And Abram Tucker and John Tucker did Signify ye they Did draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as Ordered.

And Increas Allen hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as ordered.

And James Tucker has a Certificate Signed relating to his clearness wth respect to marriage.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 9th month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called. - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called. -

The minutes of ye Yearly meeting Recommended to ye Quarterly meeting and so to ye monthly meeting were read by request of ye preparative meeting Last.

And ye Quarterly meeting minutes were read and kindly accepted.

Rochester no business.

1716 At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth by friends the 17th day of ye 10th month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared. The business of Darthnouth meeting called, and John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are chosen to take care of Dartmouth meeting house the ensuing year.

And ye visitors were called upon to give an account of their visiting friends families and they give no account of anything done in that service ye Last Quarter.

The business of Rochester called, and they give an account that John Summers hath taken a wife contrary to ye good order established amongst friends, and this meeting doth conclude that judgement must go forth against him for that and also for his other disorders wherein he hath gone out of the good order of truth.

John Summers disowned.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to Draw up a paper of Condemnation in order to be signed at ye next monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wing is chosen to be a visitor for Rochester weekly meeting

Purchase of Slaves discouraged

The matter relating to purchasing Slaves Recommended to ye Quarterly meeting being agitated in ye meeting it is concluded by the most of ye meeting that it would be most agreeable to our holy profession to forbear for time to come to be any ways concerned in purchasing any slaves.

And Eleazer Slocum William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to attend ye Quarterly Meeting.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting, how ye affairs of Truth are amongst us.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of ye 11th month 17$\frac{16}{17}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared. The business of Dartmouth meeting called,

This meeting hath signed a condemnation against John Summers his proceeding in marriage contrary to ye good order of truth as established among friends,

And Thomas Taber Junr is ordered to read it in Rochester meeting of worship on a first day of ye week, or cause it to be read.

[illegible]

This meeting has concluded to make a subscription to pay £3 Due for ye Land whereon Acoaxet meeting house stands.

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 12^s-6^d out of ye meeting's Stock to John Tucker for keeping ye meeting house.

The business of Rochester meeting called, and they give an account that Benjamin Clifton and Sarah Davis have published their intentions of marriage Contrary to y^e good order of friends, and John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are desired to go and Labor with them to show y^m y^e danger of their proceedings.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 18th day of y^e 12th month 17$\frac{16}{17}$
Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Eleazer Slocum appeared.

Rochester meeting Called — none appeared.
And Thomas Taber Jun^r has Signified that he has Read John Summers his Condemnation as ordered and it is as followeth

Whereas John Summers of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in New England hath for some years made profession of y^e Blessed truth as it is held and professed amongst us the people Called Quakers and having been by the ordering providence of God deprived of his wife by her decease hath shown a hasty desire to obtain another Contrary to y^e Good order, and Chaste Commendable Custom among friends, insomuch that in a few months he did proceed so far wth one not of our profession as to be published according to the Custom of y^e Country, which action, though he proceeded no further therein, yet did stand to justify, obstinately Refusing and trampling upon the advice of friends that through y^e Godly Care of y^e monthly meeting were sent to advise him Concerning that matter and now of Late hath farther appeared in slight and Contempt of y^e good order established amongst us.

Therefore we are Concerned to give this forth as a testimony against his outgoings denying him to be one in unity with us the people of God Called Quakers desiring if it be the will of God he may Come to a sense of his outgoing and through unfeigned repentance Return and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 21st day of y^e 11th month 1716

Stephen Wilcocks
Benjamin Howland
Josiah Merihew
John Tucker
Nathaniel Howland
John Lapham
Judah Smith
William Soule
Peleg Slocum
Eleazer Slocum
Thomas Taber Jun^r
Thomas Hathaway
Valentine Huttlestone
Abraham Tucker
William Wood
Deliverance Smith

And Benjamin Howland hath paid 12 Shillings and 6 pence as ordered at the last monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker have been at Rochester as desired the last monthly meeting, but Benjamin Clifton and Sarah Davis had accomplished their marriage before they came there, and they could not Conveniently speak wth them, So that matter is referred to y^e next monthly meeting.

1716 The business of Dartmouth meeting called.
Whereas John Reese sent in a paper to this Meeting Concerning his not proceeding in marriage with Rachel Allen, which this meeting for something therein mentioned, doth not approve of nor accept for satisfaction
And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to signify ye Reason thereof in behalf of ye meeting.

1717 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye first month 1717
There was collected for ye use of friends £0-12-06d
Dartmouth meeting called - Eleazer Slocum and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called - and none appeared.
And ye business concerning Benjamin Clifton and Sarah Davis is Referred to ye next monthly meeting.
The business of Dartmouth meeting called
And this meeting is adjourned till ye first Sixth Day in ye 2nd month next

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of ye 2nd month 1717
The visitors being called upon to give in their account concerning their visiting friends families, and their account is as followeth, ye they have visited the families of friends belonging to this meeting, in a pretty general way and they do not find but that things are pretty well for the most part and they think their visits for the most part well accepted
And William Wood and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.
And Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting next.
And this meeting is adjourned till ye 10th of ye 2nd month 1717

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 10th day of ye 2nd month 1717
[illegible] on P Slocum Ab Tucker and John Tuck
Some Suffering allowed at this meeting of Peleg Slocum and Abraham Tucker and John Tucker at Chilmark.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 15th day of the 2nd month 1717.
Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and Eleazer Slocum appeared.- Rochester meeting called - none appeared
The business concerning Benjamin Clifton and Sarah Davis is Referred to ye next monthly meeting.
And John Tucker and Abraham Tucker have drawn up an account and sent it to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.
And William Wood and Eleazer Slocum have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.
This meeting hath received an epistle from ye

Quarterly meeting Dated ye 11th of the 11th month 1716 and from ye Quarterly meeting ye 12th of ye 2nd month 1717 and they were both read and kindly accepted.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called

Survey of Meeting house land at Apponagansett

And Deliverance Smith hath brought the return of the Survey of ye Land whereon friends meeting house stands in Aponeganset village and it is ordered to be recorded in ye Purchasers Records, and friends to pay for ye recording.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 3rd month 1717

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared.

And Eleazer Slocum and Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to speak wth Timothy Davis and his wife to know whether they have kept ymselves clear in their testimony, in the marriage of their daughter Sarah Davis with Benjamin Clifton contrary to the good order established amongst friends, and also to speak wth ye abovesaid Benjamin Clifton and Sarah to know how it hath been that they have proceeded in marriage contrary to ye good order of friends, and the friends to make return to ye next monthly meeting how they find things.

Act for the maintenance of Ministers

And this meeting makes choice of Griffin Owen and Peleg Slocum and Eleazer Slocum to draw up some account to Walter Newbury Concerning a Late act for ye maintenance of ministers and Desire him to take ye said act along with him to Old England and deliver it to John Whiting or some other friend ye he shall think suitable.

Visit of Griffin Owen and J Salkeld

And our friends Griffin Owen and John Salkeld was at this meeting and their service was kindly accepted, and they showed their Certificates and they were well approved.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 24th day of ye 4th month 1717

There was collected for the use of friends £01-s03-d00

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and Deliverance Smith appeared, - Rochester Meeting Called - none appeared

Edw Wing and Sarah Tucker int. 1

Edward Wing and Sarah Tucker did signify to this meeting their intentions of taking each other in marriage if ye Lord permit.

And Josiah Merihew and Henry Tucker are appointed to see into their clearness and bring in their answer how they find things to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Eleazer Slocum Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith have not been wth Timothy Davis and his wife, and Benjamin Clifton and his wife according to ye order of the last monthly meeting, they are continued to Do said business and to bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

The visitors being called upon, say that little has been done in visiting ye last Quarter.

1717 John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

And the meeting has made up the accounts with Benjamin Howland and there remains in ye Stock $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{02}-\overset{d}{11}$ and this days Collection which is as aforesaid $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{03}-\overset{d}{00}$.

And Benjamin Howland is to pay 22 Shillings to [illegible] William Wood for money that he paid towards ye Land whereon Acoaxet meeting house Stands, which he forthwith paid.

And Benjamin Howland is also ordered to pay 21 Shillings out of the Stock to Eleazer Slocum for keeping ye meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 5th month 1717
Dartmouth meeting Called — Eleazer Slocum and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting Called Elisha King appeared.
Edward King and Sarah Tucker Came before this meeting and desired the meeting's answer with respect to their intentions of marriage which they laid before the last monthly meeting and the meeting answers that things being clear they may proceed in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting

And Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum and John Tucker are appointed to see it accomplished.

And Eleazer Slocum Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith have been with Timothy Davis and Benjamin Clifton as appointed and have discoursed with them Concerning the Said Clifton's taking his wife out of ye order of truth as it is stablished amongst friends, and Said Benjamin Clifton justifies himself in his taking his wife,

And this meeting makes choice of Thomas Taber Jr and John Tucker to draw up their Condemnation against next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker hath drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Stephen Wilcocks and John Tucker hath attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Benjamin Howland has paid 21s out of the meeting's Stock to Eleazer Slocum for keeping the meeting house as ordered.

[illegible] The friends of Rochester preparative meeting desire the assistance of this meeting toward the orderly settling the Land whereon their meeting house Stands — and the house also and their burying place.

And the meeting advises that they have as Soon as may be the Said house and lands made over to some particular friends, in the usual method among friends in such cases. And the persons nominated by the meeting are Savery Clifton Stephen Wing Nicholas Davis Thomas Hathaway. And Joseph Taber and John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^r are ordered to be helpful to them in accomplishing the work.

London Epistle. And the Epistle from London yearly meeting and our last Quarterly meeting were read and kindly accepted.

Slavery. And the matter in the Quarterly meeting Epistle concerning slaves is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Acoaxet And this meeting Doth agree to come to further Subscription towards y^e defraying the charge of Acoaxet meeting house.

And whereas James Howland is about to take a wife out of the good order of truth to y^e trouble of friends, the meeting appoints Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Slocum to Let him know y^e mind of the meeting and to advise him in the matter.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 19th day of y^e 6th month 1717

Dartmouth meeting called — Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing appeared. Nothing being done concerning Rochester meeting house and Land about it, it is referred to next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Benjamin Howland do give account that Edward Wing and Sarah Tucker have taken each other in marriage according to y^e Good order of truth.

The business relating to James Howland's taking a wife out of y^e order of friends is referred to y^e next monthly meeting

Matter of Slavery. And y^e matter relating to Slaves referred from y^e Quarterly meeting to y^e consideration of this meeting being spoken to, it is referred to y^e next monthly meeting, and Stephen Wilcocks, Deliverance Smith, Benjamin Howland Abraham Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^r are ordered to draw up something relating to that matter for the meeting to sign if they approve of it.

Benj Clifton and wife [illegible] And the condemnation of Benjamin Clifton and his wife is signed and Elisha Wing is appointed to read it at the conclusion of their meeting of worship on a first Day.

Acoaxet. And the friends of Acoaxet village having Desired to have a meeting of worship every first day it is allowed that they may for time to come have a meeting according to their desire.

And John Summers of Rochester having signified to this meeting his desire to come into unity again wth friends and hath sent a paper to this meeting to signify y^e same the meeting hath appointed John Tucker and Elisha Wing to speak with him in order to know his

1717 Sincerity, and make report to ye next monthly meeting.
And some friend's sufferings being sent from Rochester are read, and approved to be sent to ye Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 16th day of ye 7th month 1717
Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Benjamin Howland appeared
Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared
Eleazer Slocum and Thomas Taber Junr are chosen to draw up a condemnation against James Howland's Disorderly walking, proceeding in marriage and present it to ye next monthly meeting to be signed.
And Elisha Wing has Read Benjamin Clifton and his wife's Condemnation, which is as followeth
Whereas Benjamin Clifton the son of Savery Clifton of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in NewEngland and Sarah Davis daughter of Timothy Davis of said Rochester being both friends children, yet have proceeded in marriage to each other contrary to ye good order established among friends on that account and contrary to their parents consent especially ye parents of the said Benjamin Clifton
Therefore we are concerned to give forth this as a public testimony against their disorderly proceedings denying them to be of us the people called Quakers desiring that if it be the will of God, they may come to a sense of their outgoings and find mercy.
Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 6 Mo 1717

Increas Allen
Peleg Slocum
John Tucker
Joseph Russell
Stephen Wilcocks
Edward Wing
William Wood
John Lapham
Deliverance Smith

Henry Tucker
Nicholas Lapham
Nathaniel Howland
Benjamin Howland
Judah Smith
Joseph Russel Junr
Ruth Tucker
Mary Slocum
Hephzibah Hathaway

Mary Lapham
Hannah Tucker
Rachel Allen
Mary Laton
Mehetabel Burrill
Mary Lapham
Phebe Tucker
Mary Russell
Mary Smith

And John Tucker and Elisha Wing not having spoken to John Summers as ordered the last monthly meeting, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.
The friends appointed to draw up something Relating to Slaves to send to ye Quarterly meeting, have done it and it being read the meeting doth approve of it and appoint John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jr to sign it in behalf of ye meeting

Slavery

And Thomas Taber Jun^r and Stephen Wilcocks are ordered to give the Quarterly meeting an account how the affairs of truth are amongst us.

And it is proposed to offer to y^e Quarterly meeting whether it may not be well for friends not to sue any at Law or suffer themselves to be sued without the advice of y^e monthly meeting they belong to if it can be or otherwise the advice of some substantial friends.

The collection is referred to y^e next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21^{st} day of y^e 8^{th} month 1717

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called – none appeared.

[illegible] and Mary Tripp [illegible]

Daniel Goddard of Marshfield and Mary Tripp the daughter of James Tripp have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and they are desired to wait till y^e next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks are ordered to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and give an account to y^e next monthly meeting.

Elisha Wing and John Tucker are still continued to speak with John Summers.

And Thomas Taber Jr hath attended y^e Quarterly meeting as appointed

Slaves

And Thomas Taber Jun^r and John Tucker have signed a paper relating to slaves as appointed.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^r have drawn up an account to y^e Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And James Howland's condemnation is referred to y^e next monthly meeting.– And the same persons w^{th} Benjamin Howland are ordered to draw it up against said meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 18^{th} day of y^e 9^{th} month 1717

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing appeared.

There was collected for y^e use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{04}$

The friends that were appointed y^e last monthly meeting to inquire into Daniel Goddard's and Mary Tripp's clearness as to marriage, do make report that they find nothing but that they may proceed, and said Goddard has brought a certificate from the monthly meeting of friends at Pembroke w^{ch} signifies their allowance of his proceeding, and his clearness as to marriage, He also brought a few lines from his father and mother w^{ch} signifies their consent to his present proceedings.

1717 And ye said Daniel Goddard and Mary Fripp presented themselves before this meeting desiring friends answer as to their intentions laid before ye last monthly meeting, and they were answered that nothing appearing to hinder they might proceed in the order of truth, And William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to see it accomplished accordingly.

Isaac Howland and Hannah Allen intentions

And Isaac Howland ye son of Benjamin Howland and Hannah Allen ye daughter of Ebenezer Allen did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and they are desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and give account to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Elisha Wing are still continued to speak wth John Summers.

And James Howland's condemnation is drawn up and approved and signed and John Tucker is ordered to read it or cause it to be read between this and next monthly meeting

The business of Dartmouth preparative meeting called

Rochester preparative meeting business called — no business presented

And there being a paper presented to this meeting from John Summers and it being read Nathaniel Howland and Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to write an answer to it and send it to him as soon as may be.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 10th month 1717

There was collected for ye use of friends 16 shillings.

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

And Isaac Howland and Hannah Allen having laid their intentions of marriage before ye last monthly meeting did now present themselves desiring ye meetings answer and the meeting not having so good an account of ye young woman's having her parents consent as ought to be do answer them that they may proceed in ye good order of truth between this and ye next monthly meeting, provided that they then bring an account of her parents consent.

[illegible]

James Howland's condemnation has been read according to ye order of the last monthly meeting, and is as followeth.

Whereas James Howland the son of Nathaniel Howland and Rose his wife, of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in ye province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, hath from his childhood been educated amongst friends, his father and mother being both of ye people called Quakers yet hath in slight of friends and the good advice and counsel by them given him, and in contempt of the good order established among friends, proceeded to take a wife in the common way of other people, We are therefore concerned to give this forth a public testimony against said disorderly action, and do deny the said James Howland to be one of us ye people called Quakers, truly desiring that he may return and find mercy wth God,... and tenderly advising all friends children to beware of giving way to the inducements of Satan least they be led forth to scorn friends and ye testimony of ye Blessed truth as it has been delivered through great tribulations, even to the sealing of it with the blood of many faithful witnesses, Surely wo will be the portion of those that can slightly trample thereon, and by whom the testimony of the Blessed truth may fall in the Street in any particular, unless by true and unfeigned repentance they return to God. which that every disorderly and disobedient one may do is our Sincere desi

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of ye 9th month 1717

John Tucker
Abraham Tucker
Peleg Slocum
Stephen Wilcocks
William Wood

Benjamin Howland
Josiah Merihew
Elisha Wing
Thomas Hathaway
Joseph Russell

Thomas Smith
William Soule
Thomas Taber Junr
Henry Tucker
Jabez Barker

And Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to see the aforesaid Couple, that is, Isaac Howland and Hannah Allen accomplish their marriage in the good order of truth.

And John Tucker and Stephen Wilcocks are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting next.

The visitors of Dartmouth meeting being called upon they give no account.

And John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum are appointed to take care of the meeting house for ye year following.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

And whereas Daniel Mosher makes a complaint to this meeting that Nathaniel Howland has wronged him, this meeting makes choice of Deliverance Smith Jabez Barker and William Soule to hear the matter and make up the difference if they can, and if they cannot, to make report to the next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to see Daniel Goddard and Mary Tripp Solemnize their marriage in the Good order of truth. say that it was so accomplished as far as they saw.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meetinghouse in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 11th month 17$\frac{18}{17}$

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith being called upon to give an account how Isaac Howland and Hannah Allen's marriage was carried on, and they Say in Good order as far as they know.

1718 And John Tucker hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.
Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker did draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.
The men that were chosen to make inspection into ye difference between Daniel Mosher and Nathaniel Howland make report to this meeting that ye said Mosher refuses to leave the whole difference to them, Therefore they thought it not best to meddle therewith.
The business of Dartmouth preparative meeting called but no business presented.
The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of the 12th month 17$\frac{18}{17}$
Dartmouth meeting called - Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called and Nicholas Davis appeared.

Daniel Shepherd
and Mary
[illegible]
[illegible]
also
William Soule
and Rachel

Daniel Shepherd Junr and Mary Shearman ye Daughter of William Shearman have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting.
Also William Soule Junr and Rachel Allen ye Daughter of Increase Allen have likewise laid their intentions of marriage before the meeting, and they are all desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.
And Eleazer Slocum and Henry Tucker are appointed to see into William Soule Junr and Rachel Allen's clearness with respect to marriage.
And Judah Smith and John Lapham to see into ye clearness of the other couple in that respect.
Dartmouth business called and there is no further business.
Rochester business called and no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of the 1st month 17$\frac{17}{18}$
There was collected for the use of friends 14 shillings and 6 pence
Whereas Daniel Shepherd and Mary Sherman did the last monthly meeting lay their intentions of marriage and were to have their answer at this meeting, but the young woman being ill it is referred to ye next monthly meeting
William Soule Junr and Rachel Allen Junr presented themselves the 2d time desiring their answer with respect to their intentions of marriage laid before the last monthly meeting and the meeting answered that nothing appearing to hinder they may proceed to take each other in marriage in ye good order of truth.
Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called. Eleazer Slocum and Henry Tucker are appointed to see the marriage between William Soule Junr and Rachel Allen Junr accomplished in ye good order of truth.

And they are permitted to solemnize their marriage on ye next 4th day of ye week although it be a meeting day by course, but not to be allowed as a precedent for time to come.

The visitors being called upon do give account that nothing has been done in that service the last quarter.

And Stephen Wilcocks and Benjamin Howland are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.

Marriages &c

And a matter being presented from ye preparative meeting of Dartmouth concerning ye putting off the hat or standing uncovered in laying the intentions of marriage and receiving their answers, and the meeting being generally of ye mind that it ought not to be, and the meeting refer's it to the consideration of ye Quarterly meeting.

[illegible]

Also from said preparative meeting a query whether our marriages among friends be good without a justice of ye peace, and whether friends be obliged to invite a justice to their marriages, and if a justice be invited to come and it so happen that he cannot or will not come, whether friends are obliged to go to another. Which matter is also referred to ye next Quarterly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called, and the visitors give account that they have visited the families of friends, and things for the most part are pretty well amongst them.

Rochester

And there was presented some sufferings of friends from Rochester which was approved to be sent to ye Quarterly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye sixth day next before ye Quarterly meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of ye 2nd month 1718

The visitors give the following account — That they have visited the families of friends belonging to Dartmouth meeting and for the most part as far as they saw things are pretty well.

And Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker and Nathaniel Howland or either two of them are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st of ye 2nd month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Benjamin Howland appeared.

Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

Daniel Shepherd and Mary Shearman appeared before this meeting for their answer as to their intentions of marriage, and inquiry being made into their clearness

1718 and nothing appearing to hinder their sd intentions they had their answer that they might proceed in marriage to each other in ye good order of truth.

And Stephen Wilcocks and William Wood and John Tucker hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed

And Judah Smith and John Lapham are appointed to see Daniel Shepherd and Mary Sherman's marriage solemnized in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker hath drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

The Epistle of ye Last Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

And the friends that were appointed to see that William Soule and Rachel Allen did solemnize their marriage in the good order of truth, make report that they were there and they saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

Deed. And William Soule is appointed to draw a deed of ye Land that ye meeting bought of Deliverance Smith.

[illegible] And there was collected 10 shillings, and it was ordered to be paid to James Tripp towards the building of the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 3rd month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

Judah Smith and John Lapham being called upon to give in their account how things were managed at Daniel Shepherd and Mary Shearman's marriage, and their answer is, that it was managed in the order of truth as far as they saw.

The business of Rochester meeting called and no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 23rd day of ye 4th month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called - Josiah Merihew and Henry Tucker appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

And there was collected for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$-$\overset{s}{04}$-$\overset{d}{06}$

The business of Dartmouth meeting called

Deliverance Smith John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And Judah Smith and John Tucker are are appointed to Draw an account to the Quarterly meeting next.

The business of Rochester meeting called but no business presented

[illegible] The Epistle from ye Yearly meeting of London held in London in ye year 1717 was read at this meeting and Kindly accepted

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of the 5th month 1718
Dartmouth meeting called - Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.
The business of Dartmouth meeting called - and John Tucker and Benjamin Howland have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.
And John Tucker and Judah Smith did draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as they were appointed.
The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read to good Satisfaction

Minutes of London Yg Meeting — Also some minutes of ye Yearly meeting at London 1717 concerning tombstones, distinguishing apparel for the dead, and bowings and Cryings, which minutes are ordered to be read at a first day meeting after worship, by John Tucker or some one whom he may appoint.

Collection for 2 Mtg Service [illegible] of 7 mo — And there was a Subscription made by friends at this meeting in answer to the desire of the Quarterly meeting who ordered our monthly meeting to raise ten pounds for the Service of truth, and John Tucker is ordered to receive the money and Convey it to ye next Quarterly meeting of friends.
No business from Rochester to this meeting.
Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 30 shillings out of the meetings stock to John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum for keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 6th month 1718
Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.
John Tucker has caused the minutes to be read according to ye order of the Last monthly meeting.
The business of Dartmouth being called - the visitors are desired to visit the families of friends between this and the next monthly meeting
From Rochester no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 7th month 1718
There was collected for the use of friends £0-17-0d
[illegible] Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared. - Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared.
Joseph Mosher the son of Nicholas Mosher and Mehetabel Smith did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage. and

1718 Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to see into their Clearness in respect to marriage, and also that they have their parents Consent.

And Benjamin Howland hath paid to John Tucker and Eleazer Slocum 30 shillings as ordered.

The subscription of 10d agreed upon at ye monthly meeting in the 5th month last is finished.

The business of Rochester meeting called - and they have gathered forty shillings for the use of friends, and sent it by Elisha Wing and it is ordered to be sent to ye Quarterly meeting next by John Tucker.

And William Wood Elisha Wing and John Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.

And Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting

And this Meeting desires to have an account of what is done concerning the buying and keeping of Slaves.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 8th month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Josiah Merihew appeared.

Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

The friends that were chosen to make inquiry into Joseph Moshers and Mehetabel Smiths Clearness from all others in relation to marriage and also the consent of parents, give account that they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in that affair.

And they the said Joseph Mosher and Mehetabel Smith presenting themselves before this meeting desiring their answer, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in the Good order of truth.

And Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to see the marriage Solemnized in the good order of truth, and bring in their answer how they find things to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Judah Smith hath drawn an account to the Quarterly Meeting as appointed.

Money for Q M And John Tucker hath carried ye twelve pounds to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 26 shillings for mending and making glass for ye meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of ye 9th month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called - Benjamin Howland and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway intentions

Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting.

Henry Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith make report to this meeting that they have attended ye marriage of Joseph Mosher and Mehetable Smith and it was performed in the order of truth as far as they saw.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 10th month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called – Eleazer Slocum and Jabez Barker appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing appeared.

There was collected for ye use of friends £–s9–d06

Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway presented themselves before this meeting desiring ye meetings answer with respect to their proceeding in marriage, and inquiry having been made and things on both sides appearing clear, the meeting allows that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth. and Henry Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to see it accomplished accordingly and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

And the visitors being called upon, have no account to give, and ye meeting advises that they be careful to visit the families of friends so that there may be a full account to give to the Quarterly meeting in ye 2nd month next.

And William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks and Elisha Wing are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting concerning the affairs of truth amongst us.

Benoni Winn and Hasadiah [illegible]

The business of Rochester meeting called — it is signified from their preparative meeting that Benoni Winn of Rochester has signified to them his intentions of proceeding in marriage with Hasadiah Landers of Sandwich.

Friends do therefore make choice of Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing to inquire into his conversation and clearness with respect to marriage and make report to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 11th month 1718/19

Dartmouth meeting called – Henry Tucker appeared.

Rochester meeting called – none appeared.

William Wood and Elisha Wing have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker hath drawn an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

1718 And it is desired that friends take care to get the deed acknowledge

And concerning Adam Mott and Benoni Winn see the next months minutes.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to take care of the meeting house ye ensuing year, and the year to begin at ye last monthly meeting and the meeting to pay the charge.

We received the Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting, which was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth ye 16th of ye 12th month 17$\frac{18}{19}$

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith and Henry Tucker appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Stephen Wing appeared.

Thomas Taber Junr gives account to this meeting that the marriage between Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway was performed in the good order of truth.

And the friends appointed to inquire into Benoni Winn's conversation and clearness with respect to marriage do make report to this meeting that they find nothing to the contrary but that he may proceed — and the meeting hath given him a certificate directed to ye monthly meeting at Sandwich according to said report.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called — it being proposed from Dartmouth preparative meeting whether it be agreeable to truth to fetch timber off from another man's lot that was fallen theron before the lot was laid out, without leave of the owner of said lot, it is concluded by the full consent of ye said meeting that no friend ought to fetch any such timber without leave first obtained of ye owner of such lands.—

For Rochester no business —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 1st month 17$\frac{18}{19}$

There was collected for ye use of friends £1–11s–6d

Phineas Chace of Tiverton and Desire Wing of Rochester the daughter of John Wing of Rochester deceased, have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, who are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Nathan Barlow having desired a certificate of his clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis are appointed to inquire into the same and give an account thereof to ye next monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called

William Wood and Judah Smith being appointed to present ye business, the visitors do give account that they have pretty generally visited ye families of friends and as far as they saw things are pretty well for ye most part, and friends generally in unity.

And William White having offered some contribution towards the finishing Acoaxet meeting house, this meeting makes choice of John Tucker William Wood and Stephen Wilcocks to signify the order of friends to him on such occasions and to give account to the next monthly meeting whether he be minded to become one with us.

And James Tripp the son of James Tripp having a design of proceeding in marriage contrary to the order of friends, and he having been spoken with by the visitors and other friends appointed by the preparative meeting about it, and he not giving a positive answer, this meeting appoints Nathaniel Howland and Deliverance Smith to labor farther with him and give account to the next monthly meeting.

Rochester meeting called – Nicholas Davis appeared and no farther business presented, only Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis are appointed to inquire into Phineas Chace's and Desire Wing's clearness with respect to marriage and Conversation and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

And Nicholas Davis and John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting and also to draw an account to ye said meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 2nd month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called – Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing appeared. Phineas Chace and Desire Wing not appearing for their answer it is referred till ye next monthly meeting.

That matter concerning Speaking wth William White is referred for an account till ye next monthly meeting.

And the friends appointed to Speak with James Tripp Junr Concerning his marrying out of the order of friends do give account that he had accomplished his marriage before they had opportunity to Speak with him, friends are therefore Concerned to Condemn said Disorderly practice and to deny the said James Tripp Junr to be one of us the people called Quakers, and Thomas Taber Junr is appointed to draw up a paper of friends Denying him and present it to the next monthly meeting to be Signed.

The persons chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting did attend sd meeting. Also John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr did draw up an account to the Quarterly Meeting as ordered.

The business of Dartmouth meeting Called – no business appeared. — Rochester no business

And friends have Signed a certificate Signifying Nathan Barlow's clearness relating to marriage.

1719 This day the accounts were made up and ballanced with James Tripp concerning the building of Acoaxet meeting
Account. house, and there remains 40 shillings in John Tucker's hands of the Subscription for said meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 18th day of the 3rd month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Josiah Merihew appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen King appeared

The friends appointed to speak with William White, do give account that he desires some time of consideration.

And the condemnation of James Tripp Jun^{r}'s disorderly walking and proceeding in marriage, is presented to the meeting. which is as followeth -

Not recorded

According to y^e order of the last monthly meeting and being accepted and signed Deliverance Smith is ordered to read it or cause it to be read on a first day at Acoaxet meeting house at the end of the meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

Dartmouth business called - no business appeared.

Rochester business called - none presents only some
Rochester sufferings presented from Rochester which are accepted and ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

The business relating to Phineas Chace his proceeding in marriage is referred to y^e next monthly meeting.

By reason of y^e yearly meeting falling out to be on the 3rd 2nd day of y^e next month, the next monthly meeting and preparative meeting is adjourned one week later than usual.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 22nd day of y^e 4th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Savery Clifton appeared

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$-$\overset{s}{07}$-$\overset{d}{00}$

Deliverance Smith being called upon to know whether he hath read James Tripp Jun^{r}'s condemnation and he answers that he hath not done it and so he is continued still to read y^e same according to y^e order of y^e last monthly meeting.

The sufferings that was presented from Rochester, was
Rochester presented to y^e yearly meeting at Rhode Island as appointed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called -
William Wood Thomas Taber Jun^{r} and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Deliverance Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.
Phineas Chace and Desire Wing appeared at this meeting desiring their answer relating to their taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder their said intentions, they had their answer that they might proceed in taking each other in the good order of truth. — And Savery Clifton and John Tucker are appointed to see it performed as abovesd and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called — and there was a paper presented signifying their love, but no business
One thing omitted viz
The visitors being called upon to know how they find things under their care and answer was made that nothing was done in respect of visiting friends families the last Quarter.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 5th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing appeared.
James Tripp Junr condemnation hath been read according to order.

John Tucker and William Wood have attended the Quarterly meeting. And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker gives account that Phineas Chace and Desire Wing have performed their marriage in the good order of truth as far as they saw.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called —
It is proposed to this meeting that Thomas Smith hath a desire to go to the westward to visit his relations and friends, and desires the consent of this meeting therein and a few lines of their unity in way of Certificate.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are ordered to draw a certificate and present it to the next monthly meeting to be signed.

And Peleg Slocum having signified that there is an intention of marriage between his son Giles Slocum and Elisabeth Wanton the daughter of John Wanton of Newport, and desires a certificate of this meeting of his son's clearness on that account wth others.

And Eleazer Slocum and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into the same and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Acoaxet Meeting house property

And it being requested, it is granted that William Wood James Tripp Robert Tripp Daniel Goddard and Hannah Cadman may build a stable 20 foot square on friends meeting-house land at Acoaxet, only it is advised that Stephen Wilcocks and James Tripp do set off such a piece of Land as they may think suitable for a burying place, and the bounds and quantity thereof to be given in to the next monthly meeting.

1719 The business of Rochester meeting called - no business.
There is no Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting.
Ruth Lawton's Condemnation is given forth and signed and John Tucker is appointed to read it or cause it to be read at Acoaxet meeting house on a first day after ye meeting of worship.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house the 17th day of ye 6th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared
Thomas Smith hath a certificate granted him and signed at this meeting signifying our consent to his going to Pennsylvania to visit his friends and relations there.

Also Giles Slocum hath a certificate signed, signifying his clearness in regard to marriage.

Burial
ground at
[illegible]

And the friends appointed to set out the burying ground on ye meeting house land at Acoaxet do give account that they have allotted the Southeast corner of said lot to lie six rods in length from north to south and four rods wide at ye south end, and three rods wide at the north end, for a burying place.

And Ruth Lawton's condemnation hath been read according to the order of the last monthly meeting which is as followeth

Whereas Ruth Lawton of Dartmouth in the county of Bristol in New England having been educated among friends, her mother being one in unity with us the people called Quakers and herself made some pretended show of Love to friends and the blessed truth professed amongst us yet by giving way to a Reprobate mind hath gone out into stubbornness and disobedience to her parents by keeping company with a lascivious person and at last to the committing of that unclean sin of fornication as appears by her having a bastard child to the dishonor of God reproach to truth and scandal to the professors thereof.

Now though it is matter of sorrow and grief to all the sincere hearted amongst us that any of our youth should thus fall into the snares of the Devil to the wounding of their souls yet are we constrained to give this forth as a testimony against such foul and wicked practices, denying the said Ruth Lawton to be one of us the people called Quakers, heartily desiring that if it be the will of God she may by taking the shame to herself through Godly sorrow and sincere repentance find pardon and acceptance with him -

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 5th month 1719 and signed by

John Tucker
Abraham Tucker
Peleg Slocum
Increas Allen
Judah Smith
Nathaniel Howland
William Wood
Stephen Wilcocks
Elisha Wing

Thomas Taber Junr
John Lapham
Josiah Merihew
Joseph Russell Junr
Robert Tripp
Mary Lawton
Rachel Allen
Hannah Cadman
Mary Smith

Rose Howland
Mary Slocum
Ruth Tucker
Mary Howland
Tabitha Waite
Abigail Allen
Mary Lapham
Mary Russell
Ruth Smith

Gearsom Smith [illegible]

And there being some of ye dying sayings of Gearshom Smith presented to this meeting which are thought to be of service to be read at a public meeting, and Deliverance Smith is ordered to read it at a convenient time.

John Tucker Certificate [illegible]

The business of Rochester meeting called, and no business appeared. And John Tucker having signified his design of traveling into ye western parts to visit friends and his relations, friends have given him a certificate signifying their unity therein.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of ye 7th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called—William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called— Elisha Wing appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called - Benjamin Howland William Wood and Deliverance Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

The visitors being called upon do give account that they have visited friends families under their care, and as far as they saw, things are for the most part pretty well, and where they saw things amiss they have taken care that it be mended.

And the persons appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are ordered to draw up an account to ye Quarterly Meeting.

And it being presented to this meeting from the preparative meeting of Dartmouth that there is a report that William Soule has brought a scandal on truth and friends by bargaining in an underhand way wth Reuben Allen and others, this meeting makes choice of Elisha Wing Benjamin Howland Thomas Taber Junr William Wood and Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker to inquire into the ground of said report, and they or the major part of them to determine and judge of the whole matter and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Rochester business called, and none appeared.

The collection is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

1719 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 8th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called. - Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared:

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{\pounds}{1}-\overset{s}{00}-\overset{d}{00}$

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Last have attended it and did draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting as ordered.

The friends appointed to judge in the matter between William Soule and Trustrum Allen have given in their judgement and is as follows

We whose names are underwritten being appointed by the monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 7th month 1719 to hear, and give judgement in a matter brought to said meeting by Trustrum Allen about the Estate of Josiah Allen late of Dartmouth deceased, - we having heard the matter debated between them do conclude and it is our judgement that William Soule's going away privately without the advice of friends was disorderly. and that he ought to condemn it, and as to his bargaining in an underhand way w^{th} Benjamin Allen and others, we fear that William Soule was not so upright as he ought to have been in the prosecution of that business and the matter being doubtful to us we leave it to y^e Lord who will judge every man according to his deeds, and whereas we have taken notice of several hard Speeches that have passed between William Soule and Tristram Allen wherein we judge they were both to blame we do advise them for time to come to Live in love, for he that says he Loves God and hates his Brother is a liar, for he that loves not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he Love God whom he hath not seen, but he who loves God loves his Brother.

Benjamin Howland	Deliverance Smith	Elisha Wing
William Wood	Thomas Taber Junr	Henry Tucker

The business of Dartmouth meeting called - It being reported to this meeting that Robert Tripp and Alice Anthony have proceeded in marriage contrary to the order of friends, William Wood is appointed to inquire into the truth of said report and give account to the next monthly meeting.

There being also a report that George Soule and Lydia Howland have published their intention of marriage contrary to y^e order of friends, Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to inquire into said report and give an account to the next Monthly Meeting.

Rochester meeting called and no business presented.

The Epistles from ye Quarterly meetings in the 5th month last past and the last Quarterly meeting were read in this meeting and kindly accepted.

Tristram Allen appeals from the Judgement of friends to the next Quarterly meeting.

Deliverance Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 16th day of ye 9th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called - Henry Tucker appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared.

John Summers Junr and Rest Davis ye daughter of Timothy Davis laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and Savery Clifton and Stephen Wing are appointed to see into their clearness on that account and give account thereof to ye next monthly meeting, in order that they may have their answer.

And whereas it appears that Robert Tripp and Alice Anthony have proceeded in marriage contrary to the good order of friends, and that George Soule and Lydia Howland have done ye like, Thomas Hathaway and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up a paper for each, of their condemnations to be ready in order to be signed at the next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith has made up the monthly meeting's accounts wth Benjamin Howland, and there remains in Stock $6^{£}-05^{s}-10^{d}$

S Wilcox [illegible]

Stephen Wilcox having signified his design of Traveling to Sandwich and those parts to visit friends, this meeting has given him a certificate signifying their unity therewith.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of ye 10th month 1719

There was collected for ye use of friends $01^{£}-06^{s}-01^{d}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

John Summers Junr and Rest Davis appeared for their answer, and the friends appointed giving account that they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage, The meeting meeting answers that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wing and Savery Clifton are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized accordingly and make report thereof to ye next monthly meeting.

And the friends appointed to draw up Robert Tripp's and his wife's condemnation for their disorderly proceeding in marriage and also for George Soule and his wife for the Like cause, have done it, and they are signed in order to be read,

And Deliverance Smith is ordered to read Robert Tripp's and his wife's condemnation, or cause it to be read at

1719 Acoaxet meeting on a first day at the conclusion of the time of worship. — And John Tucker is ordered to do the like by the other at Aponeganset meeting and both to make return thereof to the next monthly meeting

Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 30 Shillings out of ye monthly meeting stock to John Tucker for keeping the meeting house which he accordingly paid for ye year past

The visitors give no account of visiting

Rochester business called — no business presented

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to the next Quarterly meeting.

And Stephen Wilcox and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

Wigs And a concern lying on this meeting concerning friends wearing of wigs is referred to be proposed to the next Quarterly meeting.

Acushnet And it is ordered that the meeting at Acushnet be held every first day except the day before the monthly meeting till the first of the 3rd month next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 11th month 1719

Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared. Stephen Wing and Savery Clifton give account that John Summers Junr and Rest Davis have accomplished their marriage according to the good order established among friends.

George Soule's and his wife's condemnation has been read according to ye order of the last monthly meeting and is as followeth

Whereas George Soule son of William Soule and Hannah his wife, and Lydia Howland the daughter of Benjamin Howland and Judith his wife both of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been educated amongst friends, their parents being all of ye people called Quakers, have of late proceeded in marriage to each other contrary to the good order established amongst us on that account,

We do therefore give this forth as a public testimony against said Disorderly proceeding, and also do deny the said George Soule and Lydia his wife to be of us the people called Quakers, Sincerely desiring, if it be the will of God they may come to a sight and sense of this and all other their outgoings, and by an unfeigned repentance find acceptance with the Lord and his people. —

Signed at our monthly meeting in Dartmouth
y^{e} 21st of the 10th month 1719.

John Tucker
Abraham Tucker
Eleazer Slocum
William Soule
William Wood
Stephen Wilcox
Deliverance Smith
Joseph Russell Jun^{r}
Nathaniel Howland

Benjamin Howland
John Lapham
Henry Tucker
Peleg Slocum
Ruth Tucker
Rachel Allen
Hannah Tucker
Elisabeth Russell

Mary Lawton
Mehetabel Burrill
Phebe Tucker
Mary Lapham
Mary Smith
Rose Howland
Mary Lapham
Mary Smith

And Robert Tripp's and his wife's condemnation not being read Deliverance Smith is still continued to do it between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} have Drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting according to the order of the Last monthly meeting, and it not being sent it is ordered to be sent with the account to y^{e} next Quarterly meeting.

Stephen Wilcox has attended y^{e} Quarterly meeting according to order.

And a complaint being brought to this meeting that our friend Thomas Coleman of Scituate has of late commenced a suit in law against our friend Richard Kirby contrary to the order of friends and the advice of the apostle, Wherefor John Tucker Nathaniel Howland and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} are ordered to signify to said Thomas Coleman that said act is disorderly, and to advise him to desist from proceeding any farther in said matter, and also to give an account to Scituate monthly meeting of his s^{d} proceeding to go to Law with his Brother that they may take care to prevent farther proceeding therein.

The Epistle from y^{e} Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted

Hand Irons for meeting house

The meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay $\overset{£}{1}$-19-$\overset{d}{03}$ out of the monthly meeting's stock to John Russell for the meeting house hand irons which wth $\overset{£}{2}$-10-$\overset{d}{09}$ paid by the womens meeting makes y^{e} full price.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^{e} 15th day of y^{e} 12th month 17$\frac{19}{20}$

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. — Rochester meeting called none appeared.

Deliverance Smith has read Robert Tripp's and his wife's condemnation — and it is as followeth —

Whereas Robert Tripp and Alice Anthony both of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been educated among friends and as to appearance have walked in a degree conformable to the good order established among us, yet of late in contradiction to the good show that they have formerly made, and the grief and trouble of friends, they have refused the good and wholesome order among them relating

1719 to marriage having lately been married to each other from among friends thereby giving advantage to the light and airy wanton people to make a scoff and derision of friends and the blessed truth professed amongst us—

We are therefore concerned to give this forth as a public testimony against their disorderly walking and to deny the said Robert Tripp and Alice his wife to be of us the people called Quakers sincerely desiring if it be the will of God, they may come to a sight and sense of their outgoing and come into unity with the people of God

Signed at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
the 21st of the 10th month 1719

John Tucker
Abraham Tucker
Benjamin Howland
Eleazer Slocum
William Wood
Nathaniel Howland
Stephen Wilcox
John Lapham
Judah Smith
Deliverance Smith

Thomas Hathaway
Henry Tucker
Joseph Russell Junr
Thomas Taber Junr
Josiah Merihew
Hezekiah Smith
Peleg Slocum
William Soule
Rachel Allen
Hannah Tucker

Ruth Tucker
Hannah Soule
Elisabeth Russell
Mary Lapham
Mehetabel Burrell
Mary Russell
Phebe Tucker
Mary Lapham Junr
Mary Smith
Rose Howland

The friends that were ordered to signify to the monthly meeting of Scituate the proceeding of Thomas Coleman against Richard Kirby have done it.

Benjamin Howland has paid £1-19-03d to John Russell according to the order of the last Monthly Meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called,— and it being requested that the next preparative meeting and monthly meeting be adjourned one week longer than the usual time it is ordered that it should be so.

And it appearing that there is due to Judah Smith the sum of £3-18s-03d for recording the monthly meeting minutes, Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay it out of the monthly meeting stock.

And whereas William Soule by the judgement of some friends appointed by the monthly meeting held in the seventh month last past to hear and give judgement in a matter brought against him by Tristram Allen did judge that he ought to condemn his going to the westward privately without the advice of friends he has now condemned it and it is as follows,

I Do acknowledge that my going to the westward and not first acquainting friends thereof was contrary to the order of friends and I am sorry that it happened so,— and hope that I shall be more careful for time to come—

William Soule.

1720 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 28th day of ye 1st Month 1720

There was collected for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{16}-\overset{d}{02}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

Benjamin Howland has paid the sum of $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{18}-\overset{d}{08}$ to Judah Smith according to ye order of the last monthly meeting.

Accounts The business of Dartmouth meeting called - James Tripp demanded $\overset{s}{17}-\overset{d}{2}$ for expense towards Acoaxet meeting house which Benjamin Howland paid out of the monthly meeting Stock by order of the meeting.

The visitors of Dartmouth meeting called upon do give account that they have visited the most of friends families belonging to their care and find things for the most part pretty well, - and where things were not well, they gave advice that it might be amended, and friends seem to take their visits kindly.

Rochester meeting business called, - and their visitors give account that they have visited friends families, and find things amongst them pretty well.

And Elisha Wing Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly Meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 2nd month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called none appeared.

Elisha Wing, Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Junr have attended the Quarterly meeting according to the appointment of the last monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as ordered.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called -

And Beriah Goddard of Jamestown and Ann Smith the daughter of Deliverance Smith of Dartmouth, have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eleazer Slocum and William Wood are appointed to Inquire into their clearness on that account and make return to the next monthly meeting.

+ And whereas Nathan Soule has offered to contribute something towards finishing Acoaxet meeting house William Wood and James Tripp and John Tucker are desired to speak with him and let him know how friends can receive on such occasions.

Subscription for Salem Meetinghouse According to the request of the Quarterly meeting friends have made a Subscription for Salem Meeting House which John Tucker is Desired to receive and carry it in to the Yearly meeting.

1720 And in compliance with the advice of the Quarterly meeting with respect to renewing of visitors by a new choice, this meeting makes choice of Eleazer Slocum Benjamin Howland Deliverance Smith, Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker.

And whereas Sarah Wing the Daughter of our friend Elisha Wing of Rochester hath fallen into that foul sin of fornication as appears by her own confession, this meeting has given forth a condemnation against her to be read publicly at the end of friends meeting of worship at Acushnet and Thomas Taber Junr is ordered to read it between this and the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 3rd month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

The young couple that appeared and laid their intention of marriage the last monthly meeting not appearing for their answer, it is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And the friends that were ordered to let Nathan Soule know the mind of this meeting wth respect to his offering to contribute towards the finishing of Acoaset meeting house having spoken with him and given his answer to this meeting, and the meeting having considered of it do order the same friends to let him know that he is desired to wait some time in the counsel of God to be confirmed in the principles of truth.

And Thomas Taber Junr has read Sarah Wing's condemnation according to the order of the last monthly meeting which is as followeth

Whereas Sarah Wing the Daughter of Elisha Wing of Rochester in the county of Plymouth in New England her parents being friends, and she educated in the way of Truth yet to the dishonor of God, reproach of the Blessed truth professed amongst us, and grief of friends, She has by giving way to the temptation of Satan and her own wicked inclination fallen into that foul sin of fornication as appears by her own confession,

We do therefore give this forth as a public testimony against said wicked and unclean action denying the Sd Sarah Wing to be one of us the people called Quakers, Sincerely desiring if it be the will of God she may come to a sight and sense of this her sin and all other her sins and by an unfeigned repentance find mercy. - Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 2nd month 1720

John Tucker Abraham Tucker Peleg Slocum
William Wood Eleazer Slocum Nathaniel Howland Judah Smith
Benjamin Howland Deliverance Smith William Soule
James Tripp Thomas Hathaway Stephen Wilcox

Henry Tucker
Thomas Taber Junr
Jabez Barker
John Lapham
Josiah Merihew
Eliashib Smith

Mary Slocum
Hannah Cadman
Hope Merihew
Phebe Tucker
Ruth Tucker

Hannah Tucker
Ruth Smith
Mary Lawton
Mary Lapham
Mary Smith

Rachel Allen
Abigail Allen
Rose Howland
Mary Russell
Dinah Smith

No business from the preparative meetings.-
In order to answer the desire of the Quarterly meeting on the account of friends wearing of wigs, John Tucker Benjamin Howland Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber junr are ordered to draw up something on that account to be ready at the next monthly meeting.

Wigs [illegible]

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 4th month 1720
Dartmouth meeting called. William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.- Rochester meeting called - none appeared.
Beriah Goddard and Ann Smith appearing for their answer, and the meeting having inquired into their clearness, and finding nothing but that they may proceed the meeting therefore answers that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting.
And John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to see their marriage accomplished accordingly.
And John Tucker has received the subscription for Salem meeting house and delivered it to ye Yearly meeting according to order.

Money for Salem [illegible]

The friends that were ordered by the Last monthly meeting to signify the mind of ye meeting to Nathan Soule, having done it, and he signifies that he has considered of the matter and sees nothing but he can comply to the order of friends in all Respects.
And the friends that were ordered to draw up something on the account of wigs having done it, it is accepted and ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting in the account.

[illegible] Wigs

Deliverance Smith and Eleazer Slocum and William Wood are ordered to attend the Quarterly meeting next.
And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 5th mo 1720
Dartmouth meeting called - Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared.
John Tucker and William Wood give account that the marriage between Beriah Goddard and Ann Smith has been accomplished in the good order of truth.
Eleazer Slocum and William Wood give account that they have attended ye Quarterly meeting.

1720 John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr have drawn up an account to ye Quarterly meeting according to order.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

No business from Rochester preparative meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 6th month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing appeared. John Walker Junr of Marshfield and Sarah Summers of Rochester have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and they are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called — and it is desired that the visitors be stirred up to visit the families of friends between this and the next monthly meeting

The business of Rochester meeting called — And no business except that of ye intention of marriage.

And Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to inquire into their clearness wth respect to marriage and to give in their account to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 7th month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared John Walker and Sarah Summers not appearing for their answer it is referred to the next monthly meeting

The business of Dartmouth meeting called — And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 35 Shillings out of ye monthly meeting stock to John Tucker and Henry Tucker for keeping the meeting house for half a year that is past, which he forthwith paid

And Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to seat the upper gallery.

The business of Rochester meeting called — no business. This meeting is adjourned to the 7th day of ye 8th month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment — The visitors gave in their account that they have made a pretty General visit of the families of friends belonging to this monthly meeting and find things for the most part pretty well as far as they saw, and to some they gave advice as they thought needful, and that their visits were kindly accepted.

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are ordered to draw up an account to the Quarterly Meeting.

John Tucker Nicholas Davis and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th of ye 8th month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. - Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

John Walker and Sarah Summers having formerly laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and now appearing for their answer and all things appearing clear, the meeting answers that they may proceed to take each other in marriage, in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wing and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to see the marriage Solemnised.

Also Samuel Wing the son of Daniel Wing of Sandwich and Dorothy Clifton the daughter of Savory Clifton of Rochester have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, who are desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. -

And Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to inquire into their clearness and make report to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr have drawn an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and William Wood have attended the Quarterly Meeting according to order.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called -

And a difference between James Howland and Jedediah Allen being laid before this meeting, the meeting makes choice of Jabez Barker John Russell Robert Kirby and Josiah Merihew or either three of them to end the Difference. -

And it is the mind of this meeting that the said parties do become bound to each other in Suitable bonds in the judgement of those appointed to end said Difference - to Stand to their award.

From Rochester no farther business

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read to friends satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 9th month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called - Wiliam Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called Savory Clifton appeared.

Samuel Wing and Dorothy Clifton not appearing for their answer it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Stephen Wing and Thomas Taber Junr give account that the marriage between John Walker and Sarah Summers was accomplished according to the good order of truth.

1720 Benjamin Russell and Abigail Howland the daughter of Nicholas Howland have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

Also Joseph Tucker and Mary Howland the daughter of Nicholas Howland have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are Likewise desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are ordered to inquire into the clearness of the first couple with respect to marriage and conversation.

And Jabez Barker and John Lapham are ordered to inquire into the clearness of the other couple with respect to marriage and conversation, and each to make report to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas there is a report that Sarah Howland the daughter of Nathaniel Howland is married out of the order of friends and without the consent of her parents— Thomas Taber Junr is ordered to inquire into the truth of said report and give account to the next monthly meeting.

And the matter between James Howland and Jedediah Allen not being fully finished, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of the 10th month 1720

There was collected for the use of friends £1-13s-06d

Dartmouth meeting called — Eleazer Slocum and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting called — Stephen Wing appeared.

Samuel Wing and Dorothy Clifton appeared desiring the meeting's answer with respect to their intentions of marriage laid before this meeting at our monthly meeting in the 8th month Last past, and nothing appearing to hinder their proceeding, the meeting answers that they may proceed to take each other in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to see it accordingly accomplished.

And Joseph Tucker and Mary Howland having likewise laid their intentions of marriage before the last monthly meeting and now appearing for their answer the meeting answers that they may proceed to take each other in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker and William Wood are appointed to see it accordingly accomplished.

Thomas Taber Junr being appointed to inquire concerning Sarah Howland's being married out of the order of friends he gives account that he understands that she is married, — and said Taber is appointed to draw a condemnation against her for her disorderly proceeding, And the friends appointed to accommodate the difference between James Howland and Jedediah Allen, have finished y^{e} matter.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called – Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 7^{s}–09^{d} to Antipas Hathaway for mending the meeting house Glass.

William Wood and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} are to draw an account to the Quarterly meeting.

Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 1$^{£}$–15^{s}–0^{d} to Deliverance Smith out of the Stock and to pay to himself 5 Shillings.

And whereas Robert Tripp has signified his Desire of being received into unity with friends, Some time past, and was Desired to wait awhile, and now friends being desirous to know how his mind Stands and how his Conversation has been, – John Tucker William Wood and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} are to see into the matter.

Deliverance Smith is ordered to make up the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland.

From Rochester meeting no business.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of y^{e} 11th month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called – Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Nicholas Davis appeared.

Daniel Weeden of Jamestown and Joanna Slocum the Daughter of Eleazer Slocum have Laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer,

And Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are ordered to inquire into their Clearness with respect to marriage and Conversation and give account to the next monthly meeting.

Stephen Wing gives account that the marriage between Samuel Wing and Dorothy Clifton was performed in the good order of truth as Established among friends.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker give the like account of Benjamin Russell's and Abigail Howland's marriage.

And William Wood and Jabez Barker do also give the same account of Joseph Tucker's and Mary Howland's marriage.

And Deliverance Smith not having made up the monthly meeting's accounts with Benjamin Howland, he is ordered to do it by the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Howland has paid 7^{s} and 9^{d} to Antipas Hathaway and 1$^{£}$–15^{s} to Deliverance Smith and 5 Shillings to himself according to the order of the last monthly meeting.

John Tucker and William Wood give account that they have Spoken wth Robert Tripp according to the order of the Last Monthly meeting, and he signifies that he is Still Desirous to come into unity wth friends. – William Wood and Thomas Taber Jr have attended the Quarterly meeting as they were ordered.

1720 Sarah Akin's condemnation is drawn up and signed, and Deliverance Smith is ordered to read it at the end of ye meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting
No business from ye preparative meetings.-

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 12th month 1720

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - John Wing appeared.
Daniel Weeden and Joanna Slocum appeared desiring the meeting's answer relating to their intentions of marriage laid before ye last monthly meeting and nothing appearing to hinder their proceedings, the meeting answers that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are ordered to see it accordingly accomplished and give account to the next monthly meeting.

Deliverance Smith has made up the monthly meeting's accounts wth Benjamin Howland and finds that there remains in Stock $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{09}$

Deliverance Smith has read Sarah Akin's condemnation according to the order of the Last monthly meeting. and it is as followeth -

Whereas Sarah the daughter of Nathaniel Howland and Rose his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been Educated amongst friends, not regarding the fear of God the honor of her parents nor the good order established amongst friends, hath stubbornly and willfully against the mind of her father and mother kept company with a man from time to time that they did not allow of and at last in the same obstinate spirit hath proceeded in marriage with him out of the unity of friends to the grief of her parents, and trouble of friends.

We are therefore concerned for the clearing of friends to give this forth as a public testimony against all disobedience to parents and disorderly walking and particularly against the abovesaid actions of the said Sarah now the wife of Timothy Akin of Dartmouth Denying her to be one of us the people called Quakers, yet sincerely desiring if it be the will of God, she may come to a sight and sense of this and all other her outgoings and by an unfeigned repentance and amendment of life so walk as to find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 11th month 17$\frac{20}{21}$
Signed at said meeting by Nathaniel Howland John Tucker
Benjamin Howland Eleazer Slocum William Wood
Stephen Wilcox James Tripp Deliverance Smith
Henry Tucker John Lapham Josiah Merihew
Joseph Taber Thomas Taber Junr Judah Smith

Ruth Tucker
Rachel Allen
Phebe Tucker
Mary Slocum
Hannah Soule
Dinah Smith
Hannah Tucker
Mary Smith
Mary Russell

The business of Dartmouth meeting called — it being proposed whether it may be profitable to have part of our Yearly Meeting held at Acoaxet meeting house which is referred to the next monthly meeting for further consideration.

This meeting advises that the visitors take care to visit the families of friends so as an account may be given to the next monthly meeting.

Rochester meeting called no business

Whereas there is a complaint from the monthly meeting of Rhode Island that Benjamin Slocum the son of Eleazer Slocum is accused for getting a young woman with child that belongs to their meeting, — therefor William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr are ordered to speak with him and advise him if he be guilty, to go and marry her, otherwise to go with them to the young woman to clear himself if he can to her face. And John Tucker is ordered to inform the monthly meeting of Rhode Island how far this monthly meeting has proceeded in the matter.

Sandwich Yearly Mtg

And by reason of the falling of Sandwich yearly meeting our next monthly and preparative meetings are adjourned one week.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting house in Dartmouth the 27th day of the 1st month 1721

Dartmouth meeting called — Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker appeared.

Elisha Wing appeared for Rochester.

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{00}$

Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith give account that the Marriage between Daniel Weeden and Joanna Slocum hath been accomplished in the good order of truth.

The proposal relating to the holding part of our Yearly meeting at Acoaxet is referred to the consideration of the Quarterly meeting and whether to have the meeting divided or another day added.

The visitors give account that they have been with Benjamin Soule who is gone from the order of friends into ye fashion of ye world in his apparrel who signified that he is resolved to have his own way and refuses to be advised by them. The meeting therefore appoints Judah Smith and Henry Tucker to speak with and to let him know that if there be no reformation the meeting must proceed to deny him.

And whereas the persons ordered to speak with Benjamin Slocum and Dinah Burrill face to face have not done it the same friends or one of them is ordered still to do it and to get some friends of Rhode Island Meeting to go with them.

1721 Dartmouth business Called - and Holder Slocum having Signified his desire of proceeding in marriage with Hannah Hull of Jamestown and desires a certificate of his clearness from others, therefore Jabez Barker and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into his Clearness on that account and of his Conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Slocum Signifies to this meeting the like design with Susanna Wanton the daughter of John Wanton, - Therefore Josiah Merihew and John Lapham are to make inquiry of his clearness and Conversation and make report how they find things to ye next monthly meeting.

Rochester business called and none presented.

This meeting is adjourned till ye first 6th day in ye next Month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 7th of ye 2nd month 1721

The visitors give this meeting an account that they have visited the families of friends belonging to this meeting and their visits were kindly accepted for the most part, and things pretty well generally, but in some families not well, where they gave advice that such things might be amended.

William Wood Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Jr are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting.

And Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly Meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of ye 2nd month 1721

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — none present.

The friends appointed to Speak wth Benjamin Soule not having both Spoken with him they are continued to do it between this and the next monthly meeting.

And the friends appointed to see Benjamin Slocum and Dinah Burrill face to face not having yet accomplished the same, William Wood and Stephen Wilcox are ordered to see them together and hear what they can say and give account to the next monthly meeting.

William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker have drawn up an account of the affairs of this meeting and Sent it to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

It is proposed to this meeting that Jedediah Allen the Son of Increase Allen desires a certificate from our monthly meeting of his clearness in relation to marriage, and Judah Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to make inquiry into his clearness and conversation and make report how they find things to the next monthly meeting.

Christopher Gifford Junr having desired a certificate on the account of his design of proceeding in marriage wth Mary Borden the daughter of Richard Borden of Tiverton, — William Wood and Henry Tucker are ordered to make inquiry into his clearness and conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Desire Howland the daughter of Benjamin Howland having charged John Slocum the son of Eleazer Slocum wth getting of her with child, — John Tucker and William Wood are to have them face to face to hear what each of them can say in the matter.

And the visitors having given account to this meeting that Increase Allen Junr has a design of marrying his cousin as appears by his keeping company with Lydia Allen the daughter of Joseph Allen, — The meeting orders Judah Smith and Deliverance Smith to advise him to forbear keeping her company on any such account and that if he do still persist, friends must deny him.

Robert Tripp and his wife having given this meeting satisfaction for their outgoings, (for which they were denied,) by a writing under their hands which this meeting orders said Robert to read at the end of the meeting of worship at Acoaxet on a first day, or cause it to be read in his presence.

The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 3rd month, 1721

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Stephen Wing appeared.

The friends appointed to speak with Benjamin Soule concerning his disorderly walking not having yet done it, they are still continued and desired to do it between this and ye next monthly meeting.

Stephen Wilcox and William Wood with several friends of Rhode Island have seen Benjamin Slocum and Dinah Burrill face to face and she confidently charged him to be the father of her child and he as confidently denied it but by several circumstantial evidences the matter looking doubtful on his side, it is referred for further consideration.

The friends chosen to speak with John Slocum and Desire Howland not having opportunity to do it are still continued to endeavor to have an opportunity before the next monthly meeting and speak with them as appointed.

The friends appointed to speak with Increase Allen Junr and to advise him to forbear keeping company wth his cousin Lydia Allen wth the design of marrying her have done it, and he signified to them that he is minded to proceed, notwithstanding the order

1721 and advice of friends, and he being present at said meeting the meeting advises him to forbear and not to go out of unity with friends in such a disorderly proceeding.

Robert Tripp hath read his and his wife's acknowledgement of their outgoing (his wife being present) according to the last monthly meeting.

Certificates were given to Jedediah Allen and Christopher Gifford Jr of their clearness in order to marriage.

S Wilcox [illegible]

Stephen Wilcox has a certificate from this meeting, of friends unity with his design of traveling Eastward to visit friends.

The meeting makes choice of John Tucker Elisha Wing William Wood Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Junr to be visitors for the year following, and till there be another choice.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 4th month 1721

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{0}$

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

Thomas Borden the son of Richard Borden of Tiverton and Mary Gifford the daughter of Christopher Gifford of Dartmouth have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wood and John Lapham are appointed to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to speak wth Benjamin Soule concerning his disorderly walking have spoken wth him and he signifies to them, that he is not sensible of any harm there is in his fashionable clothing, and until he sees the evil of it, he shall not refrain it.

Therefore the meeting desires the same friends or one of them to let him know that it is the mind of this meeting that he appear at the next monthly meeting and give better satisfaction.

The friends appointed to speak wth John Slocum and Desire Howland face to face having not had opportunity are continued to do it between this and the next monthly meeting.

And the meeting orders his father to give him notice that he meet the said friends at Benjamin Howland's in the evening after the youths' meeting next, and to let them know whether his son will attend them or not, before the time of meeting.

Stephen Wilcox returns minute

Our friend Stephen Wilcox having performed his visit Eastward hath returned his certificate to this meeting.

It is proposed to leave to the consideration of the Quarterly meeting whether if one that is under the care of friends be about to proceed in anything contrary to the order of friends and he be by friends advised to forbear and the person refuse to hear, but signifies that he or she will proceed, whether friends may forthwith proceed to deny such a one, or whether friends must wait to see the thing accomplished first.

Deliverance Smith John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and they or either two of them to draw up an account to the Quarterly Meeting and sign it on behalf of the meeting.

Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay $\overset{s}{3}$ to Deliverance Smith and $\overset{s}{14}$ to Thomas Taber Junr, for money by them lent to the meeting and $\overset{s}{12}$ to John Lapham for keeping the meeting house. which with what the women have paid is the whole sum for half a year, he is also ordered to pay $\overset{s}{2}$ to William Wood, all which was forthwith paid.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of ye 5th month 1721.

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha King appeared.

Benjamin Soule not appearing to give this meeting satisfaction according to the order of the last monthly meeting, this meeting desires his father or one of the friends that were before appointed to let him know that it is the mind of this meeting that he appear at the next monthly meeting in order thereto.

The friends appointed to see John Slocum and Desire Howland face to face have done it, but not having made a thorough progress therein it is referred to the next Monthly meeting. And the same friends are to go through with it and then give in their account.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting and attended said meeting as ordered.

Thomas Borden and Mary Gifford appearing appearing for their answer and all things being clear, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting. And William Wood and John Lapham are appointed to see it accordingly accomplished.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called - no business.
The business of Rochester meeting called - no business.

The Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting was read to friends satisfaction.

Yearly Mtg Stock.

And as the request of the Quarterly Meeting relating to a Yearly meeting Stock this meeting complies wth it. and in order thereto, have made a subscription and friends are desired to pay in what they subscribe to John Tucker in order to be conveyed to the Quarterly meeting.

The Quarterly and Yearly meeting having given judgement against William Soule as appears by their several judgements sent down to us with the Quarterly meeting

1721 Epistle and their advice that we see it accomplished Said William Soule is desired to put himself in a way to perform it by the next monthly meeting.

And friends being desired by the Quarterly meeting as advice from the Yearly meeting to consider what may be the best way to suppress the extravagance of friends wearing wigs, it is left to friends consideration till ye next monthly meeting. Wigs

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21th day of the 6th month 1721

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith appeared.
Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

Benjamin Soule appeared at this meeting and not giving satisfaction, it is referred to the next meeting for consideration and further prosecution.

William Wood and John Lapham give account that the marriage between Thomas Borden and Mary Gifford was accomplished in the good order of friends.

The friends appointed to see John Slocum and Desire Howland face to face and hear what they could say do give in their account which is as follows.

And the said John Slocum not clearing himself to friends satisfaction and being found in a falsehood in his talk about it, it is the mind of this meeting that he be denied by friends, Therefore John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up a condemnation against him, and one against Desire Howland in order to be signed at next monthly meeting.

The matter relating to William Soule is referred to next monthly meeting

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jr are apointed to draw up Something relating to wigs and bring to the next monthly meeting. Wigs

Dartmouth preparative meeting business called and it appearing that Increase Allen has married his kinswoman Contrary to the order of the Yearly meeting, this meeting orders John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr to draw up a condemnation to be signed and read at the next monthly meeting.

Rochester meeting called. no business

The visitors are desired to visit friends families and give account to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of the 7th month 1721

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared. Whereas Benjamin Soule the son of William Soule is gone out into the fashions of the world in his apparel and has been often advised (both by the visitors and by friends appointed by the meeting and also by the monthly meeting he being present) to reform, yet he obstinately refuses to hear, but signifies that he will go on in his own way, therefore this meeting Doth declare the said Benjamin Soule to be from under ye care of friends.

At William Soule's request the matter between him and the Allen's is referred to the next monthly meeting

Wigs.

The friends appointed to draw up Something concerning wigs, have done it and it being approved is ordered to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting with ye account.

The Condemnation against John Slocum being drawn up approved and Signed John Tucker is ordered to read it or cause it to be read as usual between this and the next Monthly meeting. - Also Desire Howland's condemnation is drawn, approved and signed and John Tucker is appointed to read it or cause it to be read as usual between this and ye next monthly meeting.

The Condemnation of Increase Allen is drawn up and Signed, and read, and is as followeth,

Whereas Increase Allen the son of Increase Allen of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol hath proceeded to take his near kinswoman in marriage contrary to the order of friends and the advice of this meeting to him given, Therefore this meeting Doth declare the said Increas Allen Junr is not in unity with us the people called Quakers.

Given forth and signed at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of ye 7th month 1721

Signed at said meeting by John Tucker
William Wood Increas Allen Nicholas Davis
Elisha Wing Thomas Taber Jr John Lapham
Henry Tucker Jabez Barker Benjamin Howland

And there being two friends children whose parents are first Cousins by blood who have desired to lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and friends being thoughtful that such a proceeding is Contrary to the order of friends but not being fully Satisfied Do refer it to the consideration of the Quarterly meeting what may be thought proper to be done in such a case.

The visitors of Rochester meeting do give account that they have visited the families of friends belonging to

1721 their meeting and find things among friends relating to truth for the most part pretty well.

The visitors of Dartmouth meeting have done nothing on the account of visiting the families of friends.

Rochester Sufferings There being some friends sufferings brought from Rochester they are approved and ordered to be sent to ye Quarterly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And they, and Elisha Wing are appointed to attend the said meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned till the afternoon after the youths meeting next.

The meeting being met according to adjournment

The visitors give account that they have visited the most of friends families belonging to our meeting and that their visits were generally kindly accepted and things for the most part pretty well.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting-house in Dartmouth the 23rd day of the 8th month 1721

Dartmouth Meeting Called — Judah Smith and John Lapham appeared: — Rochester Meeting Called — None appeared.

And the difference between William Soule and the Allens is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker hath read John Slocum's and Dinah Howland's Condemnations as appointed which are as followeth

Whereas John Slocum the son of Eleazer Slocum of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England is accused by Desire Howland of said Dartmouth with getting her with child which fact although the said John Slocum doth deny, yet it hath been proved that he was false in his plea for vindication so that he hath not cleared himself to the satisfaction of this meeting, — Therefore we do deny the said John Slocum to be one of us the people called Quakers desiring, if it be the will of God that he may sensibly come to sight of all his outgoings and by true repentance find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 7th month 1721
and signed at said meeting by

John Tucker
William Wood
Elisha Wing
Judah Smith
Increas Allen
John Lapham
Henry Tucker
Nathaniel Howland
Thomas Taber Jr
Benjamin Howland
Jabez Barker

Here follows Desire Howland's condemnation —

Whereas Desire Howland the daughter of Benjamin Howland of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England hath fallen into that wicked and scandalous sin of fornication as appears by her being delivered of late of a Bastard child begotten of her body to the dishonor of God, reproach of the blessed truth, and grief of friends, — These are therefore given forth as a public testimony against all such unclean and detestable actions denying the said Desire Howland to be one of us the people called Quakers, yet desiring if it be the will of God she may come to a sight and sense of the evil of her doings, and by unfeigned repentance find mercy.

Signed at our men and women's meeting held at Dartmouth the 18th of ye 7th month 1721

John Tucker
William Wood
Increase Allen
Judah Smith
Nicholas Davis
Benjamin Howland
Henry Tucker

John Lapham
Elisha Wing
Mary Smith
Ruth Tucker
Mary Slocum
Phebe Tucker
Rachel Allen

Hannah Tucker
Mary Laton
Hannah Soule
Mary Lapham
Mary Russell
Rebeccah Russell

And Thomas Taber Junr and Deliverance Smith have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed, and also attended said meeting as appointed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called — no business. And the Epistle from our Quarterly meeting last was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 9th month 1721

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. — Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

Nathan Soule hath contributed towards building Acoaxet meeting house five pounds.

This meeting hath labored with William Soule that he would fulfill the judgement of the Yearly meeting, and he doth refuse to fulfill the same!

The business of Dartmouth meeting called —

This meeting being informed that William Soule's daughters Hannah and Mary Soule are married contrary to the order of friends, — Thomas Taber Junr and John Tucker are appointed to draw up their condemnation in order to be signed at the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting cannot see that William Soule hath been clear in his Testimony against their proceedings which is referred to the consideration of the next monthly meeting.

1721 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 10th month 1721

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. — Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

Abraham Tucker Junr and Elisabeth Russell daughter of John Russell both of Dartmouth have declared before this meeting their intentions of taking each other in marriage,

And they were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith and Jabez Barker are appointed to see into their clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting, how they find things.

The business concerning William Soule refusing to conform to the Quarterly and Yearly meetings judgements is agreed to be referred to the Quarterly meeting next.

And the matter concerning William Soule's bearing his testimony against his daughters proceeding in marriage contrary to truth is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to keep the meeting house the ensuing year.

John Tucker, William Wood and, Henry Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Judah Smith are appointed to draw an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And Henry Tucker is appointed to read Mary Soule's and Hannah Soule's condemnation on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker is ordered to pay James Tripp thirty shillings upon the account of Accoaxet meeting house.

And the Quarterly Collection is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 11th month 17$^{21}/_{22}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$-$\overset{s}{02}$-$\overset{d}{11}$.

Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

Abraham Tucker Junr and Elisabeth Russell appeared before this meeting for their answer concerning their taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder their proceeding, they had their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And Deliverance Smith and Jabez Barker are appointed to see them solemnise their marriage in the good order of truth, and make return to the next monthly meeting. John Tucker hath paid James Tripp thirty shillings according to the order of last Mo meeting

William Wood and Henry Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

John Tucker and Judah Smith have drawn up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

And Henry Tucker hath read Hannah and Mary Soule's condemnations which are as followeth,

Whereas Hannah Soule the daughter of William Soule of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol New England having had her Education amongst us the people of God called Quakers, but for want of Keeping to the principle of Truth hath proceeded in marriage Contrary to the good order Established amongst us the abovesaid people although advised to the Contrary, Therefore we do deny the said Hannah now the wife of Joseph Holway to be one of us the people called Quakers, Desiring that if it be the will of God that she may sensibly come to a sight of her outgoings, and by true repentance find mercy with the Lord and come into unity with his people.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of men and women held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 10th month 1721,

Peleg Slocum
Stephen Wilcox
William Wood
Nathaniel Howland
John Lapham
Henry Tucker
John Tucker
Hannah Tucker
Ruth Tucker
Phebe Tucker
Mary Laton
Mehetable Burill
Dinah Smith

Whereas Mary Soule the daughter of William Soule of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England hath had her education amongst us the people of God called Quakers, but for want of Keeping to the principle of truth hath proceeded in Marriage Contrary to the good order established amongst us the abovesaid people although advised to the Contrary, Therefore we do deny the said Mary now the wife of William Paige to be one of us the people Called Quakers, Desiring that if it be the will of God, she may sensibly come to a sight of all her outgoings and by true repentance find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of men and women held in Dartmouth 18th day of the 10th month 1721

Stephen Wilcox
Peleg Slocum
William Wood
Nathaniel Howland
John Lapham
Judah Smith
Henry Tucker
John Tucker
Jabez Barker
Mary Smith
Dinah Smith
Mary Laton
Hannah Tucker
Ruth Tucker
Mary Lapham
Mary Russell
Phebe Tucker
Mehetable Burrill

And we received the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read and kindly accepted.

And the matter Concerning William Soule and the Allens, is referred to the next monthly meeting. and Judah Smith is appointed to read the minutes to him, 1721 Benjamin Howland is appointed to pay to John Tucker and Henry Tucker or either of them $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{15}--\overset{d}{08}$ for keeping the meeting house the Last year.

This meeting is informed that Peleg Smith and Mary Howland both of Dartmouth have proceeded in marriage with each other Contrary to the order of friends, and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} and John Tucker are appointed to draw their Condemnation against the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 12th month 172½

Dartmouth meeting Called – William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting Called – Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis appeared.

The marriage between Abraham Tucker Jun^{r} and Elisabeth Russell not being accomplished, the friends appointed to see it done are still Continued, and are to give in their account to the next monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Howland has paid $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{15}$ for keeping the meeting house according to the order of the last m^{o} meeting

The business of Dartmouth Meeting Called – The visitors are advised to perform a general visit of friends families between this and y^{e} next monthly meeting.

Deliverance Smith is appointed to make up the monthly Meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland and bring it to the monthly meeting next.

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Jun^{r} have drawn a Condemnation against Peleg Smith and his wife for their disorderly proceeding in marriage, which is accepted and Signed and Henry Tucker is ordered to read it or Cause it to be read at the Conclusion of the meeting of worship on a first day between this and y^{e} next monthly meeting

Rochester meeting business Called – and their meeting presents a paper from Hannah Hiller wherein she acknowledgeth her outgoing in her disorderly marriage and desires to Come into unity with friends.

Also Sarah Clifton of said meeting did send a paper some time past of the Like nature and this meeting having Comfortable hopes of their Sincerity doth accept of their, that is y^{e} said Hannah Hiller's and Sarah Clifton's acknowledgements and of them as friends in unity wth this meeting.

And Elisha Wing is appointed to read their said acknowledgements in the meeting of worship at Rochester at y^{e} end of the meeting.

And there being a difference brought to this meeting between Joseph Allen and Nathaniel Howland of one party and Tristram Allen of the other party Concerning ye estate of Josiah Allen deceased, and said Joseph Allen and Nathaniel Howland did offer to leave it to the meeting and to be bound to stand to ye award of such as the meeting should appoint to determine the same, but said Tristram Allen refused to have it unless he might have liberty to appeal to ye Quarterly meeting, which this meeting thinks not proper in such a case, and therefore doth refuse to act in the matter.

The matter relating to William Soule is referred to next monthly meeting.

Our next preparative meeting and monthly meeting are adjourned one week longer than ye usual time.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 26th day of ye 1st month 1722

There was collected for the use of friends $1^{£}-04^{s}-00^{d}$

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called — John Wing appeared.

The friends appointed to see the marriage between Abraham Tucker Junr and Elisabeth Russell solemnised in the good order of truth do say that they attended ye solemnising of said marriage and that it was accomplished in the good order of truth for aught they know.

The visitors being called upon do give account that they have visited ye most of friends families and find things in a general way pretty well as far as they saw.

Deliverance Smith not having made up the accounts with Benjamin Howland he is still continued to do it by the next monthly meeting.

Henry Tucker has read Peleg Smith's and his wife's condemnation according to ye order of the last monthly meeting and it is as followeth —

Whereas Peleg Smith ye son of Deliverance Smith of ye Town of Dartmouth in ye County of Bristol in New England and Mary Howland the daughter of Nathaniel Howland of said Dartmouth being the children of friends and have been educated in the way of truth yet of late although they have been particularly exhorted and advised to the contrary by friends, have proceeded in marriage out of the order of us the people called Quakers, we do therefore deny ye said Peleg Smith and Mary his wife to be of us the said people, sincerely desiring that if it be the will of God that they may come to a sense of their outgoings and by their circumspect walking before God and amongst us his people be received into the fold where the great Shepherd is giving rest and peace to them that are his.

1722 Given forth and Signed at our monthly
Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 12th month 1721

Nathaniel Howland
Judah Smith
William Wood
Elisha Wing
Thomas Taber Jr
Abraham Tucker
John Lapham

Nicholas Davis
Jabez Barker
Joseph Russell Jr.
William Wood Junr

Mehetable Burrill
Hannah Tucker

Phebe Tucker
Mary Russell
Mary Lawton
Mary Smith
Dinah Smith
Ruth Tucker
Mary Slocum

Elisha Wing has read the acknowledgement of Hannah Hiller and Sarah Clifton as ordered.

John Tucker is ordered to pay $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{10}$ to James Tripp towards the finishing of Acoaxet meeting house which is money in his hands belonging to ye meeting.

The judgement of ye Yearly Meeting relating to William Soule being considered of it is concluded that judgement must go forth inasmuch as he refuses to comply therewith, — and Henry Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw up a condemnation against him the said William Soule and present it to the next monthly meeting, and if it be approved to be signed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called —

Slaves marrying

And whereas several friends are owners of slaves which may desire to take each other in marriage and no direct method established among friends in that case as we know of, it is referred to the Quarterly meeting to consider of, and propose a rule for the time to come in that matter if they think fit.

Rochester meeting business called — none presented. Stephen Wilcox William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to draw an account to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 23rd day of the 2nd month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called — Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

John Tucker gives account that he has paid $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{10}$ to James Tripp according to ye order of last monthly meeting.

Yearly Meeting [illegible]

He has also paid 3 pounds and 5 shillings to ye Quarterly meeting it being this meeting's collection towards a Yearly meeting stock, and was concluded upon at our monthly meeting in the 5th month last.

Deliverance Smith has made up the accounts with Benjamin Howland and finds that there remains in the monthly meeting Stock $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{01}-\overset{d}{08}$

Isaac Wood and Mary Potter the daughter of Nathaniel Potter, both of Dartmouth have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, And James Tripp and Robert Kirby are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and give account thereof to the next monthly meeting.

Stephen Wilcox William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr have drawn an account to the Quarterly meeting according to order.

William Soule's condemnation is read approved and signed, and Thomas Taber is ordered to read it at the end of the time of worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And William Wood John Tucker Stephen Wilcox Nathaniel Howland Joseph Taber and Thomas Taber junr are appointed visitors for the ensuing year, and till there be a new choice.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st of ye 3rd month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called — Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

Isaac Wood and Mary Potter appeared for their answer relating to their intentions of marriage laid before ye last monthly meeting and nothing appearing to hinder they have their answer that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting. And James Tripp and Robert Kirby are appointed to see their marriage accomplished, and give an account thereof to the next monthly meeting.

Seth Russell the son of Joseph Russell and Hannah Allen the Daughter of Increas. Allen both of Dartmouth Laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and give account to the next monthly meeting.

Thomas Taber Junr has read William Soule's condemnation which is as followeth,

Whereas William Soule of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England who for many years past hath professed himself to be one of the people called Quakers and hath been in some measure esteemed in unity with them yet by giving way too much of a craving mind after the things of this world did of late in a hidden and undiscovered way purchase part of the estate of Josiah Allen deceased to ye damage of those to whom it did belong and with whom he so bargained and did take the sum of thirty pounds to release said bargain for all which the judgements of the Quarterly meeting and Yearly meeting to which said matters have been referred have gone

1722 against said William Soule judging that he ought to condemn his said proceedings and to return the said Sum of thirty pounds to the persons from whom he had received the same, all which the said William Soule doth refuse to perform, although this meeting hath waited long and endeavored from time to time to persuade him thereto, we do therefore condemn the said proceedings of the said William Soule with his obstinate refusal to comply with the judgements of said meetings and do deny him to be one of us the people called Quakers, yet desiring sincerely that if it be the will of God, he may come to a sense of his outgoings and by making amends to those he has wronged, and a circumspect walking before God, find mercy with him and come into unity with his people

Given forth and signed at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 23rd day of ye 2nd month 1722

Thomas Taber Junr John Lapham Judah Smith
John Tucker Stephen Wilcox Nathaniel Howland
William Wood Henry Tucker Joseph Russell Jr. William Wood Junr

No business from ye weekly meetings

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of the 4th month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared. James Tripp and Robert Kirby give account that the marriage between Isaac Wood and Mary Potter was solemnised in the good order of truth.

Seth Russell and Hannah Allen appeared for their answer, and nothing appearing to hinder, their answer is that they proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting

And Deliverance Smith and Jabez Barker are appointed to see it accordingly accomplished.

Peleg Slocum Junr desiring a certificate of his clearness relating to marriage, John Lapham and Jabez Barker are appointed to inquire into ye same and give account thereof to next monthly meeting.

William Wood Elisha Wing and Deliverance Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr are ordered to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

No business from Rochester.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 5th month 1722

Dartmouth Meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called, Stephen Wing appeared.

Deliverance Smith and Jabez Barker give account that they were at ye Solemnizing of ye marriage between Seth Russell and Hannah Allen and saw nothing but that it was performed in the good order of truth.

James Sherman and Grizel Merihew laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Lapham and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into their clearness on that account and make Report to next monthly meeting.

Peleg Slocum Junr has had a certificate of his clearness with respect to marriage.

William Wood and Deliverance Smith have attended the Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber have drawn and sent an account according to order.

Stephen Wilcox desiring a certificate on ye account of his desire of proceeding in marriage wth Judith Barnett of Nantucket, William Wood and Thomas Taber Junr are appointed to inquire into his clearness and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

No business from Rochester.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted

Public Friend D. Irish

David Irish's certificate from the monthly meeting of friends on Rhode Island was read giving a good account of his conversation and the unity they have with his testimony.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 6th month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis appeared.

James Sherman and Grizel Merihew appeared for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answer that they might proceed in taking each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and John Lapham are appointed to see it accomplished in the good order of truth and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Dartmouth weekly meeting called and no business presented

Rochester meeting called.—

Nicholas Davis — minute to travel

Nicholas Davis desires a certificate to travel in the service of truth, which is granted.

And a certificate is granted to Stephen Wilcox (at this meeting as to his clearness in respect to marriage.

1722 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of the 7th month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing present.

Henry Tucker and John Lapham being called upon make Report that the marriage between James Sherman and Grizel Merrihew was decently accomplished in the order of truth.

Collected at this meeting and delivered to Benjamin Howland 17 Shillings and 6 pence.

Benjamin Wing son of Matthew Wing of Dartmouth and Content Tucker Daughter of Abraham Tucker of said town laid their intentions of marriage to each other before this meeting. — They were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Lapham and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to inquire into the clearness and conversation of said Wing and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

Public Friend Robt. Jordan. Our worthy friend Robert Jordan of Virginia being at this meeting his certificate from the monthly meeting of Chaptank Nansemum ye 12th of ye 2nd month 1722 was read to our mutual satisfaction, said certificate was also approved by the half year meeting held at Maryland West River ye 16th of the 3rd month 1722.

This day being far spent, this meeting is adjourned unto the first sixth day of the 8th month.

And the business of this meeting which is not accomplished is referred to the adjournment.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of ye 8th month 1722

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

Stephen Wilcox and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

The visitors give this meeting an account that they have visited the families of friends belonging to this meeting, and find things Generally pretty well.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 15th day of the 8th month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Nathaniel Howland appeared.

Rochester meeting called none appeared.

Benjamin Wing and Content Tucker appeared at this meeting for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the order of friends.

And John Tucker and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to see it accomplished in the Same, and make return to the monthly meeting.

And John Laton son of George Laton of Dartmouth and Patience Kirby Daughter of Robert Kirby of said Dartmouth signified their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and they were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wood and Matthew Wing are appointed to inquire into their clearness and conversation, and make report to ye next monthly meeting how they find things.

It hath been signified to this meeting that William Russell, son of Jonathan Russell of Dartmouth desires a certificate of his clearness in Respect to marriage and conversation.

And Benjamin Howland and John Lapham are appointed to make inquiry into the same and make return to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

Stephen Wilcox and Henry Tucker have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker hath drawn an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And the Epistle of the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to Speak wth Stephen Wilcox concerning his leaving his family this winter.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 9th month 1722

Dartmouth Meeting Called - Judah Smith and Josiah Merrihew appeared. - Rochester Meeting Called - none appeared.

John Laton and Patience Kirby appeared at this Meeting for their as to taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to hinder their said intentions they had the Consent of this meeting to take each other in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this, and the next monthly meeting.

And William Wood and Matthew Wing are appointed to see it accomplished in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called - no business presented

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw up a Certificate for William Russell and sign it in behalf of the monthly meeting.

John Tucker and Josiah Merrihew make report to this meeting that Benjamin Wing and Content Tucker have accomplished their marriage in the order of truth as far as they saw.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of ye 10th month 1722 collected $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{0}$-

Dartmouth meeting called - Deliverance Smith and Benjamin Howland present.

1722 Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.
The friends appointed to see John Eaton and Patience Kirby solemnize their marriage make report that it was accomplished in ye Good order of truth.

Deliverance Smith and John Tucker have drawn a certificate for William Russell and Signed it according to the order of ye Last Monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called.
This meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay 2 pounds and 4 shillings to John Tucker and Henry Tucker for keeping the Meeting house and repairing the chimney the year past.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to keep ye meeting house the ensuing year.

The business of Rochester meeting called
An account in writing from their preparative meeting was presented to this meeting, that they have no business, but their Love,

Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting next.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And Stephen Wilcox desires some lines from this meeting of his unity with this meeting and of friends unity with his removing to Nantucket which is granted and Deliverance Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw it and sign it in behalf of the Monthly Meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 25th day of ye 11th month 1722

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith present,

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis present.
Benjamin Howland hath paid 2$^{£}$-04^{s} to John Tucker and Henry Tucker as appointed ye Last monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Deliverance Smith and John Tucker have drawn up an account to the same according to order.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have drawn up some lines for Stephen Wilcox according to the order of ye Last monthly meeting.

The Quarterly Meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted

At a monthly Meeting of friends held at our Meeting house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of ye 12th month 17$\frac{22}{23}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called - Savory Clifton present.
The business of Dartmouth meeting called

This meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay Joseph Russell Junr one shilling for recording the

Survey of mtg house land

return of the survey of the meeting house Land in Aponeganset village.

The business of Rochester meeting called - and they give us an account that they have no business to present at this time.

The next monthly meeting is adjourned till ye 4th second day in the first month next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 25th day of the first month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and Deliverance Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared.

Benjamin Howland hath paid Joseph Russell Junr. one shilling for Recording the return of the survey of the meeting house Land.

Epistle from England

An Epistle was read at this meeting from Old England, and it is Desired that all friends be careful to observe the good advice therein Given and as for that concerning Choosing of friends to attend the Sessions, it is referred to the Quarterly meeting.

The friends chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting are Nicholas Davis, William Wood and John Tucker.

This meeting is adjourned till the first sixth day in the 2nd month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 5th day of ye 2nd month 1723

The visitors being called upon give this meeting an account that they have visited ye families of friends belonging to this meeting in a pretty General way and have had pretty good satisfaction in their service though they find not all things so well as they could Desire.

John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 2nd month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland present.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared. John Tucker and Henry Tucker have drawn up an account and sent to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker and William Wood have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called And Deliverance Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meetings accounts wth Benjamin Howland and make return to ye next monthly meeting how the account is.

And Stephen Wing and David Irish are appointed visitors for Rochester meeting for the ensuing year.

And for Dartmouth meeting Joseph Taber Thomas Hathaway John Tucker Deliverance Smith —

1723 William Wood and Matthew Wing are chosen visitors for the ensuing year or till others be chosen.

The Epistle from ye Last Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of the 3rd month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

Deliverance Smith is Still continued to make up the monthly meetings account wth Benjamin Howland and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called - no business.

The business of Rochester meeting called - none presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 24th day of ye 4th month 1723

There was collected for the use of friends £1-07s-06d

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Deliverance Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Savory Clifton and Nicholas Davis appeared.

Deliverance Smith hath made the monthly meetings accounts wth Benjamin Howland and there Remains in Stock £5-18s-11d

The business of Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Nicholas Davis are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting aforesaid.

The business of Rochester meeting called - and they signify in writing that they have no business to this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 15th day of ye 5th month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. - Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

William Wood hath attended ye Quarterly meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 6th month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called.

This meeting hath agreed that we should endeavor to get a friend
School Master school master to teach our children to read and write.
And James Tripp and Deliverance Smith are appointed
to see to get one and make return to the next monthly meeting.
The business of Rochester meeting called - and no business.
A paper was presented to this meeting by the women friends, signed
by Elisabeth Tripp signifying her trouble for not taking the advice
of friends in her marriage, which is accepted, and ordered to
be read on a first day at the end of the meeting of worship.
And Deliverance Smith is ordered to read the Same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 7th month 1723
There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{01}-\overset{d}{00}$
Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and Josiah Merrihew
appeared. - Rochester meeting called Stephen King appeared.
The business of Dartmouth meeting called -
Nicholas Davis William Wood and John Tucker are
appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.
The business of Rochester meeting called -
The visitors of Rochester meeting give account that they have
visited the families of friends belonging to their meeting and
their visits were kindly accepted and where they thought
needful they gave advice.
And this meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay to
John Lapham $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{15}-\overset{d}{00}$ for keeping the meeting house,
One pound of said money we received of the women.
Deed. And Benjamin Howland is to pay 4 shillings to Eleazer Slocum
for getting the deed of the land belonging to the meeting house.
And this meeting is adjourned till ye first 6th day in ye 8th month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment
this 4th day of the 8th month 1723.
The visitors give this meeting an account that they
have made some progress in visiting the friends families
belonging to this meeting and found things pretty well
as far as they saw.
And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed
to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting next.

1723 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of ye 8th month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland appeared.

Rochester meeting called none appeared.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called –

Nicholas Davis and John Tucker have attended ye Quarterly Meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker have drawn up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

Henry Tucker and James Barker are appointed to look for a friend School master that is capable to read, write and Cipher, and to know upon what terms, and to make return to our next monthly meeting of their proceedings therein. School Master

And Deliverance Smith hath read Elizabeth Tripp's acknowledgement of her outgoing in her marriage contrary to the Good order of truth, as appointed.

Samuel Howland Son of Nicholas Howland deceased and Sarah Soule Daughter of William Soule deceased both of Dartmouth did declare their intentions of marriage with each other before this Meeting, and they were desired to wait till ye next Monthly Meeting for their answer,

And Judah Smith and Eliashib Smith are appointed to inquire into their clearness in respect to marriage and Conversation and make report to ye next Monthly Meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 9th month 1723

Dartmouth meeting called -- William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

Judah Smith and Eliashib Smith make report that they have made Inquiry into Samuel Howland's Clearness as appointed, and they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage, ang ye said Samuel Howland and Sarah Soule appearing in this meeting, desiring answer and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in ye good order of truth in some convenient time before next monthly meeting.

And Eliashib Smith and John Lapham are appointed to see that they perform ye same in the order of friends and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called.

Henry Tucker and James Barker have spoken with George Howland as appointed by the preparative meeting to persuade him not to go out of the good order of truth in his marriage, and his father hath advised him to marry in the order of truth, and he refuses as yet.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 16th day of ye 10th month 1723

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{03}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing appeared.

John Lapham reports to this meeting that he was at ye marriage of Samuel Howland and Sarah Soule and it was performed in pretty good order.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called

And the meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay 3 pounds $\overset{s}{15}$ out of the meetings Stock to John Tucker and Henry Tucker for keeping the meeting house the Last half year past.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are chosen to keep the meeting house the ensuing year.

And William Wood Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw up an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called - none presented.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 11th month 1723/24

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing appeared.

Benjamin Howland hath paid $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{15}-\overset{d}{00}$ out of ye stock to John Tucker and Henry Tucker as appointed.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Deliverance Smith and John Tucker have drawn up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as ordered.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called - and Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay to Henry Tucker $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{07}-\overset{d}{06}$ out of the Stock for mending the glass.

The business of Rochester meeting called -

Answer was made - no business.

The Epistle of ye Quarterly meeting was read in this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 12th month $17^{23}/_{24}$

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland present. - Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

Benjamin Howland hath paid $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{07}-\overset{d}{06}$ as appointed, to Henry Tucker at ye Last monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called

John Tucker Jr asst Clk. John Tucker Jun is appointed to assist his father in writing in the business of the monthly meeting.

1724 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye first month $17^{23}/_{24}$

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - none appeared. Barnabas Howland and Rebecca Lapham did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and they were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into their clearness in respect to marriage and conversation and bring in how they find things to ye next monthly meeting.

Tax — And the friends appointed at the Last monthly meeting give This meeting an account that friends have in a general way paid their province tax as was Desired ye Last monthly meeting.

And there was collected for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$-$\overset{s}{04}$-$\overset{d}{00}$ William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are ordered to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in the next month

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3rd day of ye 2nd month 1724

Our visitors give this meeting an account that they have visited ye families of friends belonging to this meeting in a pretty General way and their visits generally were well accepted, and in some families they found nothing to ye contrary but things were well, but in Some others not well where they gave Suitable advice and are in hopes for the time to come, they will be better —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 2nd month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called — Nicholas Davis appeared. Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker have inquired into Barnabas Howland's clearness wth respect to marriage and finding nothing to hinder their intentions, and the said Barnabas Howland and Rebecca Lapham appearing at this meeting for their answer they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to See it accordingly accomplished.

William Wood Elisha Wing and John Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have sent an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called
Joseph Taber Joseph Russell jun^r John Tucker Henry Tucker William Wood and Robert Kirby are chosen visitors for y^e year ensuing

John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw up George Howland's condemnation and bring it to y^e next monthly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called - and their visitors for the ensuing year are Elisha Wing and Savory Clifton.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18^th day of the 3^rd month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called - Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared.

Henry Tucker and John Tucker have drawn up George Howland's condemnation as appointed.

Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker doth make report to this meeting that the marriage between Barnabas Howland and Rebecca Lapham was orderly carried on as far as they saw.

Henry Tucker is appointed to Read George Howland's condemnation on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship, between this and the next monthly meeting.

Rochester business called - no business.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 22^nd day of the 4^th month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing present.

Henry Tucker hath read George Howland's condemnation as appointed - and it is as followeth

Whereas George Howland the son of Nathaniel Howland of the Town of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England deceased, the said George Howland being a friend's child and hath been educated in the way of truth, yet of Late although he hath been exhorted and advised to y^e contrary by friends, hath proceeded in marriage out of the good order established amongst us the people called Quakers. We do therefore deny the said George Howland to be one of us y^e said people Sincerely desiring that he may come to a true sense of his outgoing, and by his circumspect walking before God and amongst his people, be received into the fold where the great Shepherd is giving rest and peace to them that are his.

1724 Given forth and signed at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 3rd month 1724

Henry Tucker
John Lapham
Benjamin Howland
Judah Smith
Joseph Taber
Thomas Hathaway
Savory Clifton
Nicholas Davis
William Wood Jr
Adam Mott
Nicholas Lapham
Josiah Merrihew
Deliverance Smith

Amos Taber son of Joseph Taber of Dartmouth and Elisabeth Lapham daughter of John Lapham of said Dartmouth have laid their intentions of marriage to each other before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into their clearness in respect to marriage and conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting how they find things.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called William Wood Nicholas Davis and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

Rochester meeting — no business.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 5th month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing present William Wood and John Tucker have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker have drawn up an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting as ordered.

Amos Taber and Elisabeth Lapham appeared at this meeting desiring their answer as to their taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder their said proceedings, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time before the next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called —
No business presented.

No business from Rochester to this meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted

Books from London

This meeting hath received 12 Small Books of Caution to friends families Set out by the Yearly meeting in London which were here Disposed of for the use of friends.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of y^e 6th month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. – Rochester meeting called – none appeared.

There was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}$ – $\overset{s}{08}$ – $\overset{d}{00}$

Deliverance Smith attended y^e marriage of Amos Taber and Elisabeth Lapham and do make Report to this meeting that it was Solemnized in the Good order of truth.

Jonathan Wood and Peace Davis have Laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Robert Kirby and John Russell are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness wth respect to marriage and conversation and make report to y^e next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Smith Son of Thomas Smith of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England, and Sarah Russell Daughter of Joseph Russell Jr. of Dartmouth in y^e County of Bristol in New England have laid their intentions of taking each other in Marriage and are Desired to wait till y^e next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Nathan Jenney Son of Mark Jenney and Priscilla Taber Daughter of Thomas Taber deceased both of Dartmouth have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and are Desired to wait till y^e next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Thomas Hathaway and Nicholas Davis are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness wth respect to marriage and conversation and make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 21st day of 7th month 1724

There was collected for y^e use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$ – $\overset{s}{00}$ – $\overset{d}{06}$.

Dartmouth meeting called – Judah Smith and William Wood present.

Rochester meeting called and Stephen Wing appeared.

Jonathan Wood and Peace Davis appearing for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder, they had their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in y^e good order of Truth in some Convenient time before the monthly meeting.

And James Tripp and Robert Kirby are appointed to see their Marriage Solemnized in like order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

1724 And Nathan Jenney and Priscilla Taber came to this meeting for their answer as to taking each other in marriage, and things being inquired into and nothing appearing to hinder their intentions, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Hathaway and Joseph Taber are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the good order of truth and make report to ye next monthly meeting how things are carried on.

And Simeon Gifford Son of Robert Gifford of ye town of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England and Susanna Jenkins Daughter of Zachary Jenkins of Kingston in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England deceased, have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and are desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wood and Robert Kirby are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness wth respect to marriage and conversation and make Return to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker is appointed to draw up a certificate for Daniel Goddard.

And there was a paper presented to this meeting signed by George Soule, being an acknowledgement of his outgoings in his Disorderly marriage, and another from his wife Lydia Soule of ye same tenor which were both read in this meeting and approved and they the said George Soule and his wife Lydia Soule to come into unity and be under the care of friends.

Their said acknowledgements are as followeth –

To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 21st day of ye 7th month 1724

Whereas I did in the year 1719 proceed in marriage Contrary to ye good order and advice of friends amongst whom I was brought up and had my education and for the above said Disorderly proceedings I was Justly Denied to be one in unity with them the people called Quakers whom I Do believe to be the Church of God,

Truth hath appeared to me so lovely that it Causeth me to have a mind to be reconciled, and to Condemn my outgoings in not keeping to ye Good order of the Church and advice of friends in that weighty consideration of marriage, and as for my trespasses I Desire God to forgive me, and that friends would pass it by and receive me into unity again

George Soule.

To the monthly meeting of men and women friends in Dartmouth to be held the 21st day of ye 7th month 1724

Whereas in the year 1719 I proceeded in marriage contrary to the good order of truth and advice of friends among whom I have been brought up and had my Education, and for my Disorderly proceedings I was justly denied to be one in unity wth them the people of God Called Quakers wherein I freely do acknowledge my fault and I Do desire That God would forgive me my trespasses, and that friends would pass it by and I to come under the Care of friends again.

Lydia Soule.

And Nicholas Davis Joseph Taber Joseph Russell Junr and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 8th month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called — James Barker and Henry Tucker appeared. — Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

Thomas Smith Junr of Providence and Sarah Russell daughter of Joseph Russell Junr of Dartmouth came to this meeting and desired their answer as to ye taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to hinder their intentions, The said Smith having a certificate from Providence monthly meeting of his Clearness, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before the next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to see their marriage in like manner Solemnized.

Robert Kirby makes report to this meeting that he hath attended the marriage of Jonathan Wood and Peace Davis and it was performed in the order of truth as far as he saw.

And Joseph Taber makes report to this meeting that he was at the marriage of Nathan Jenney and Priscilla Taber and it was Solemnized in the order of truth as far as he saw.

John Tucker and Henry Tucker have Drawn up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

Joseph Taber and Henry Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Lapham and John Tucker are appointed to assist the women in Drawing something up to clear truth of the disorderly proceedings of Deborah Smith the daughter of Hezekiah Smith of Dartmouth her proceeding in marriage Contrary to ye good order established amongst friends.

And Eliashib Smith and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to Labor with Edward Wing to see whether he will make Satisfaction for his refusing to take up with the advice of friends in that case between William Hart and himself and to advise him to appear at our next monthly meeting and they to make return to ye Same of their doings in that Case.

1724 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 9th month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester Meeting called — Elisha Wing appeared. Henry Tucker doth make report to this meeting that Thomas Smith's and Sarah Russell's marriage was consummated in the good order of truth.

A paper was presented to this meeting by order of the preparative meeting signed by Jonathan Ricketson and his wife Abigail Ricketson which was read considered and approved and Deliverance Smith is appointed to read ye same publicly on a first day at the end of the meeting of worship.

And it is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 16th day of ye 9th month 1724

Whereas we in the year 1710 proceeded in Marriage Contrary to the good order of friends, whereof we do condemn our outgoings and count ourselves justly Denied and we do Desire that God would forgive us and that friends would pass it by so that we may be in unity with them again

Jonathan Ricketson
Abigail Ricketson

And here was signed a condemnation against Deborah Read now wife of Thomas Read concerning her going out of the good order of friends in marriage and is as followeth —

Whereas Deborah Smith daughter of Hezekiah Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been Educated among friends, her parents professing themselves to be of the people called Quakers hath of Late proceeded in marriage contrary to the good order established amongst us on that account, we do therefore give this forth as a public testimony against sd disorderly proceedings and also do deny the sd Deborah now wife of Thomas Read to be of us the people called Quakers. sincerely desiring that if it be the will of God she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings in all respects and by an unfeigned repentance find acceptance with the Lord and his people.

Signed at our meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th day of the ninth month 1724

John Tucker
Benjamin Howland
John Lapham
Nicholas Davis
Judah Smith
Henry Tucker

Joseph Russell Jr
Peleg Slocum
Jabez Barker
Mary Slocum
Mary Lapham

Elisabeth Russell
Mehetabel Burrill
Phebe Tucker
Mary Russell
Mary Laton

And Henry Tucker is appointed to read the same publicly on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship.

And it is agreed at this meeting that our meeting house should be enlarged, and to have it finished before next yearly meeting.

Subscription for a Friend at Dover.

And a subscription of 20 pounds is agreed upon at this meeting for John Hanson a friend living at Dover to the Eastward of Boston who has of late had his wife and several children carried away by the Indians, and also his bedding and other clothing.

And John Tucker is appointed to receive the money and send it by the first opportunity.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 10th month 1724

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Judah Smith appeared. - Rochester Meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared

Jedediah Wood and Keziah Summers having laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and were Desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Nicholas Davis and John Lapham are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness and make return to the next mo. meeting.

And David Irish Junr and Jeneverah Summers having laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Thomas Hathaway and Joseph Taber are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{12}-\overset{d}{0}$

Deliverance Smith hath read Jonathan Rickelson's and his wife's acknowledgement according to the order of ye last monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker hath read Deborah now wife of Thomas Read her condemnation as appointed.

£10 for John Hanson of Dover

And there was collected at this meeting 10 pounds for John Hanson and John Tucker is appointed to send it to Benjamin Bagnel of Boston.

Henry Tucker John Russell and John Tucker are appointed as trustees to make an addition to our meeting house.

John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to oversee the meeting house the ensuing year.

And Benjamin Howland is appointed to pay to John Tucker one pound and ten shillings.

And William Wood and Eliashib Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw up an account and send it to the Quarterly meeting.

1724 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 11th Month 1724/5

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith and William Wood appeared.

Rochester meeting called — John Wing appeared. David Irish and Jeneverah Summers came for their answer and all things appearing clear they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Hathaway and Joseph Taber are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the good order of truth.

Nicholas Davis and Hannah Wood Daughter of William Wood of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage and are Desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Wing and Joseph Taber are appointed to make inspection into their clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Money for Canton. And John Tucker hath sent the money to Benjamin Bagnel as appointed Benjamin Howland has paid £1-10-00 to John Tucker as appointed

And Deliverance Smith hath drawn up an Epistle and sent it to the Quarterly meeting as ordered.

Eliashib Smith hath attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed

This meeting is still Dissatisfied with Edward Wing and Eliashib Smith is appointed to advise him to appear at our next monthly meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 12th month 17 24/25

Dartmouth meeting called — Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland present.

Rochester meeting called — Stephen Wing present. Jedediah Wood and Keziah Summers came for their answer, and friends having made inquiry and finding nothing to hinder they had their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And James Tripp and John Tucker are appointed to see it consummated in the above order, and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Nicholas Davis and Hannah Wood came to this meeting for their answer, and friends having made inquiry into their clearness and finding nothing to hinder, they had their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting.

And Judah Smith and Josiah Merrihew are chosen to see their marriage solemnized in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Taber makes return to this meeting that David Irish and Jeneverah Summers their marriage was performed in the good order of truth.

A letter was presented to this meeting from George Cornell.

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are to write an answer to George Cornell.

Edward Wing appeared at this meeting as was Desired and saith he is sorry that he did not take the advise of friends.

Deliverance Smith is appointed to make up the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland.

John Howland doth give in an acknowledgment to this meeting of his outgoing in his marriage and it was accepted,

And Deliverance Smith is appointed to read it on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called and none presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 1st month 1725

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing appeared.

John Tucker Junr makes report to this meeting that the marriage of Jedediah Wood and Keziah Summers was performed in the good order of truth.

And Judah Smith and Josiah Merrihew do make report to this meeting that the marriage between Nicholas Davis and Hannah Wood was solemnized in the good order of truth.

Deliverance Smith hath read John Howland's acknowledgement of his outgoing in marriage as appointed.

William Wood and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to make inquiry into Francis Tripp's clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and write him a certificate if they find nothing to hinder his proceedings.

Elisha Wing Deliverance Smith and Thomas Hathaway are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in ye 2nd month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2nd of ye 2nd mo 1725

The visitors give this meeting an account of their service in the visiting the families of friends and they find nothing but that things are for the most part pretty well and their visits well accepted.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw up an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting.

1725 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 2nd month 1725

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis present.

Simeon Gifford Son of Robert Gifford of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England and Susanna Jenkins Daughter of Zachary Jenkins of Kingston in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England deceased appeared at this meeting for their answer as to their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of friends in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting.

And William Wood and Robert Kirby are appointed to see it in Like manner performed and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed

And John Tucker hath drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

The Epistle of our Yearly Meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of ye 3rd month 1725

Dartmouth meeting called — William Wood and Benjamin Howland present.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis appeared.

William Wood makes report to this meeting that the marriage between Simeon Gifford and Susanna Jenkins was accomplished in the Good order of friends

Meeting at Acushnet. It is agreed at this meeting that there should be added to Acushnet one meeting more in a month and when it so happens that there are five first days then there are two to be added, and those that are added are to be kept at Joseph Tabers.

This meeting makes a new choice of visitors for Rochester, Savory Clifton and Elisha Wing, for Dartmouth Thomas Hathaway Benjamin Allen Eliashib Smith John Lapham William Wood and Robert Kirby.

This meeting is adjourned until the first fourth day in the fourth month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2nd day of the 4th month 1725

The accounts of some Sufferings of Peleg Slocum and John Tucker having their creatures taken away

Distraint upon goods of P Slocum and John Tucker – at Elizabeth Islands.

off from their Islands (called the Elizabeth Islands) by Distraint by John Mayhew Constable of Chilmark was presented to this meeting. Taken from Peleg Slocum eighty sheep for the Priests rate and towards the building a Presbyterian meeting house, — ye said sheep were sold for $34^{£}-60^{s}-00^{d}$ demand was 26 pounds 12 shillings and 11 pence.

And taken from John Tucker on ye Like occasion, one Horse sold for $10^{£}$- and one heifer sold for 2 pounds 10^{s}- demand was $7^{£}-15^{s}-04^{d}$ — all taken in ye year 1724.

The abovesaid sufferings were peruses and ordered to be sent to the Yearly meeting at Rhode Island.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of the 4th month 1725

There was collected for the use of friends $3^{£}-03^{s}-09^{d}$.

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Judah Smith present.

Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing present. William Wood and Deliverance Smith and Elisha Wing are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next.

Subscription for prisoners for truth sake.

And it is agreed that friends come to a Subscription to help the prisoners that suffered imprisonment at Bristol for not making the rates for Samuel Hunt a presbyterian minister,

The prisoners names are John Akin, Philip Taber Jacob Taber and Beriah Goddard and bring in the Subscription to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 5th month 1725

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Judah Smith appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Nicholas Davis appeared. And Deliverance Smith and William Wood have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker hath sent an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting. And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted, and the request therein, agreed to be answered.

And this meeting hath Signed a Condemnation against Content Briggs for her going out of the unity of friends in her marriage, and it is as followeth —

Whereas Content Howland Daughter of Nathaniel Howland deceased and Rose Howland his widow of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England, having been Educated amongst friends her parents professing themselves to be of the people called Quakers, hath of Late

1725 proceeded in marriage contrary to the good order established amongst us on that account, we do therefore Give this forth as a public Testimony against the said disorderly proceeding and also do deny ye said Content now wife of Weston Briggs to be of us the people called Quakers sincerely Desiring that if it be the will of God she may Come to a Sight and Sense of this and all other her outgoings and by an unfeigned repentance find mercy with the Lord and his people.

Signed at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 5th month 1725

John Tucker	Benjamin Howland	William Wood
Joseph Taber	Deliverance Smith	Nicholas Davis
Peleg Slocum	Josiah Merrihew	John Lapham
Jabez Barker	Eliashib Smith	Jonathan Wood
Judah Smith	Mary Slocum	Rachel Allen
James Barker	Hannah Tucker	Dinah Smith
Mary Laton	Hope Merrihew	Phebe Tucker
Mary Smith	Hannah Howland	Ruth Tucker
Mary Lapham	Rebecca Barker	

And Henry Tucker is appointed to read it at the conclusion of the meeting of worship on a first day before the next monthly meeting.

No business presented from Rochester meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 16th day of ye 6th month 1725

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Benjamin Howland appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Nicholas Davis appeared.

And Henry Tucker hath read Content Briggs' condemnation as appointed.

£10 for ye [illegible] meeting.

This meeting hath gathered ye 10 pounds according to the request of ye Quarterly meeting and Joseph Russell Junr is to send the money to Providence to Samuel Aldrich.

Deliverance Smith hath made up the monthly meeting's accounts with Benjamin Howland as appointed and there Remains in the Stock £8 – 07 – 10.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and no business appeared.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 7th month 1725

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Benjamin Howland appeared.

Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing present.

£10
Contributed
for Providence
Meeting House

Joseph Russell Jun^r hath sent ye 10 pounds for the building of Providence meeting house as appointed.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends 13 – 6^d.

Henry Tucker and John Lapham and Nicholas Davis are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to draw an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of ye 8th month 1725

The several meetings thereto called upon – for Dartmouth Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared, for Rochester none appeared.

Nicholas Davis and Henry Tucker have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith have drawn up an account and sent it to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called –

And ye Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

Certificate
for Isaac
[illegible] for
service.

And Isaac Smith desires lines of recommendation from this meeting upon ye account of his traveling to the westward, which is granted, and John Tucker is to sign it in behalf of the meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 9th month 1725

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –

For Dartmouth – William Wood and John Lapham present.

For Rochester, Elisha Wing present.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called –

It is agreed that our old meeting house should be enlarged and finished against our next yearly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and John Russell are chosen to see it finished in order.

Petition to be
sent to England
for suffering
under Pres
[illegible]

And it is also agreed at this meeting that friends come to a subscription to defray the charge of our petitioning to England for friends ease from sufferings under ye Presbyterian ministers.

This meeting being informed that Seth Allen ye son of Ebenezer Allen deceased of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England doth desire a certificate of his clearness as to marriage, – Eliashib Smith and John Russell are appointed to see into his clearness and conversation and bring in how they find things to ye next M^o Meeting.

A paper being presented by the womens meeting concerning Desire Howland's outgoings which was read and accepted and is as followeth —

1725 To ye monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 9th month 1725

Whereas I was Educated and brought up among friends but for want of keeping to ye principle of truth and friends in time past but have committed Sin and iniquity which was a disgrace to me and a dishonor to truth and friends for which I was justly denied to be one in Society wth them the people called Quakers, and for my transgression and sin I have been often sorry and troubled for it and now do desire that the Lord would forgive me my Sin, and that pass it by and receive me under their care again, — Desire Howland.

And Henry Tucker is ordered to read the above written acknowledgement on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

This meeting is adjourned till next fourth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 24th day of ye 9th month 1725

Meeting house for Acushnet

It being proposed that friends have an offer of some Land at Acushnet to build a meeting house upon, and Nicholas Davis and John Tucker are appointed to view and see whether it be a place convenient, and know the terms that we may have it upon, and make return to ye next Monthly Meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends 18 Shillings and 6 pence.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 10th month 1725

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon For Dartmouth Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Elishib Smith and John Russell make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into Seth Allen's clearness as to marriage and they find nothing but that he is clear from any entanglement here and he doth promise to the order of friends in his conversation,

And John Tucker is appointed to draw a certificate for said Allen and sign it in behalf of ye monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker hath read Desire Howland's acknowledgement of her outgoings according to ye order of the last monthly meeting.

And Nicholas Davis Joseph Taber and Thomas Hathaway have viewed the land at Acushnet as appointed but have not agreed wth ye owner, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called.
This meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay 2 pounds out of ye Stock to John Tucker and Henry Tucker for keeping the meeting house for ye year past.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are chosen to keep the meeting house for the year ensuing.

And Henry Tucker and Elisha Wing are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw up an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called - and no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of ye 11th month 17$\frac{25}{26}$

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and Josiah Merrihew present.
For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

John Lapham Junr of Dartmouth In the County of Bristol in New England and Desire Howland Daughter of Benjamin Howland of Said Dartmouth Laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Josiah Merrihew and Joseph Russell junr are appointed to inquire into their Clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

Benjamin Howland hath paid John Tucker and Henry Tucker forty shillings as appointed.

And Elisha Wing and Henry Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

The business of Rochester meeting called - no business presented
The Epistle of ye Quarterly meeting was read and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of ye 12th month 17$\frac{25}{26}$

The overseers called upon - for Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.

For Rochester - Nicholas Davis present

John Lapham Junr and Desire Howland appeared at this meeting for their answer, and things being inquired into and nothing appearing to hinder their intentions, they had their answer that they were permitted to take each other in marriage, and Joseph Russell and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to see it accomplished, and they are permitted to take each other on a week day after ye meeting of worship is over.

George Smith son of Deliverance Smith and

1725 Elisabeth Allen Daughter of Increase Allen deceased, both of Dartmouth, Laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and they were Desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and John Russell are appointed to inquire into their Clearness with respect to marriage and Conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting how they find things.

Meeting at Tho. Hathaways

And Thomas Hathaway's house being burnt it is proposed to this meeting whether it may be best to have the meeting Kept, that was formerly at Thomas Hathaway's and it is Concluded that it be kept for this winter where he now dwells.

Rochester preparative meeting hath sent us five pounds for the use of friends.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of ye 1st month 17 25/26

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.

For Rochester none appeared.

George Smith and Elisabeth Allen appeared at this meeting for their answer and things appearing clear they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some Convenient time before ye next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and John Russell are appointed to see it in Like manner performed.

And John Tippits of Greenwich in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England and Sarah Soule the Daughter of George Soule of Dartmouth in ye County of Bristol in New England deceased, have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And Josiah Merrihew and Joseph Russell make report to this meeting that they have attended the marriage between John Lapham Junr and Desire Howland and they saw nothing but things were orderly performed.

And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to draw an Epistle to ye Quarterly Meeting next.

And John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to attend ye Same.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye first day of ye 2nd month next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house by adjournment the first day of ye 2nd month 1726

The visitors give in their account that they have visited friends families and they find things pretty well for the most part as far as they saw.

1726 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 2nd month 1726

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

John Tucker hath drawn an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed and also attended ye same.

And John Tippits and Sarah Soule came to this meeting for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder their intentions, and ye said John Tippits having a certificate from the monthly meeting where he belongs, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth, in some convenient time before next monthly meeting.

And William Wood and James Tripp are appointed to see it accordingly performed and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Russell ye son of John Russell late of Dartmouth deceased and Joanna Tucker daughter of Abraham Tucker of said Dartmouth deceased, signified to this meeting their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and they were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and John Lapham are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting how they find things.

And there was collected for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{02}-\overset{d}{06}$.

Collection for matter i Old England

And there was collected by Rochester friends to defend our case in Old England against the hireling Priests $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{0}-\overset{d}{0}$

And by friends in Dartmouth 2-5-0.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 16th day of ye 3rd month 1726

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.

For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

John Russell and Joanna Tucker appeared at this meeting for their answer as to taking each other in marriage, inquiry being made into their clearness and nothing appearing to hinder their intentions, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And John Lapham and Eliashib Smith are appointed to see it accomplished in like manner and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And James Tripp and William Wood have attended John Tippits and Sarah Soule's marriage and they make report that it was solemnized in ye good order of truth.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called -

This meeting doth agree to raise money to defray the charge of enlarging our meeting house.

Rochester meeting called, and no business presented.

1726 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 4th month 1726 –
Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Judah Smith present.
Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing present.
Eliashib Smith and John Lapham make report to this meeting, that the marriage between John Russell and Joanna Tucker was Solemnized in ye good order of Truth. –
The business of Dartmouth meeting called
This meeting doth appoint John Tucker and Deliverance Smith to draw up an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting.
And William Wood Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.
And this meeting doth make a new choice of visitors And William Wood, John Tucker, John Lapham, Joseph Taber and Joseph Russell Junr are chosen visitors for ye ensuing year.
The business of Rochester meeting called
And Elisha Wing and Savory Clifton are continued visitors for ye year ensuing.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of ye 5th month 1726
The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth William Wood present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.
John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have sent an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed
And William Wood and Nicholas Davis have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.
And there was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{05}$.
The business of Dartmouth meeting called –
The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted
£16 to be raised for YM
And the 16 pounds as is therein desired to be raised and paid, by the Yearly meeting at Rhode Island, is agreed to.
This meeting being informed that Abigail Wing daughter of Matthew Wing Late of Dartmouth deceased hath proceeded in Marriage Contrary to the good order of friends, and John Tucker is appointed with ye women to draw up her Condemnation in order to be Signed at ye next monthly meeting.
Rochester meeting business called – and none presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 15th day of ye 6th month 1726
Dartmouth meeting called – Benjamin Howland and John Lapham appeared.
Rochester meeting called – Elisha Wing present.
And Abigail Wing's condemnation being Signed

Henry Tucker is appointed to read it in some convenient time between this and ye next monthly meeting.
The business of Rochester meeting called and no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 7th month 1726
The several thereunto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.
Henry Tucker hath read Abigail now wife of David Durfee her condemnation and it is as followeth —

not recorded

Seth Kelley son of Jeremy Kelley of Yarmouth in the County of Barnstable in New England and Mehetabel Wing daughter of Elisha Wing of Rochester in ye County of Plymouth in New England having laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, they were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Nicholas Lapham Desires a certificate as to his Clearness in respect to marriage and conversation.

And Judah Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into ye same and make report to ye next monthly meeting

Minute for relig. service for Nicholas Davis

Nicholas Davis desires a certificate of friends unity in his concern to travel to visit friends in ye western parts which is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

William Wood Elisha Wing and John Tucker are appointed to see to the Settlement of his affairs that all things may be well.

A paper being presented to this meeting from ye Preparative meeting signed by Peleg Smith and Mary his wife Concerning their Disorderly proceedings in marriage Contrary to ye order of friends which was accepted and ordered to be read publicly on a first day at the conclusion of the meeting of worship, and they to come under the care of friends and ye monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker is appointed to read the same which is as followeth

Dartmouth ye 14th of ye 7th month 1726
To the preparative meeting to be held this day
Friends whereas contrary to ye minds of our parents

1726 and ye advice of friends we proceeded in marriage out of ye good order of truth for which and all other our outgoings we have been oftentimes heartily sorry and do herein acknowledge our faults and take ye blame to ourselves that truth and friends may be clear, and desire that God would forgive us, and that friends would pass it by, and receive us under their care again.

Peleg Smith
Mary Smith

And this meeting is adjourned until ye 2nd 4th day in ye 8th month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 12th day of ye 8th month 1726

The visitors being called upon to give in their account of their visiting ye families of friends their account is that they have made some progress in that service and that things were pretty well for ye most part as far as they saw.

And Nicholas Davis and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting and to attend ye same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of ye 8th month 1726

Dartmouth meeting called — Deliverance Smith and John Lapham appeared.

Rochester meeting called — none appeared.

Nicholas Davis Desires a certificate of friends unity as to his travling to ye westward to visit friends which is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And William Wood Elisha Wing and John Tucker are appointed to see to ye settlement of his affairs.

And William Wood Junr Desires a certificate of friends unity with his traveling wth Nicholas Davis into the western parts.

And Holder Slocum and John Tucker are appointed to see into his clearness.

And Judah Smith and Adam Mott having made inquiry into Nicholas Lapham's clearness wth respect to marriage and conversation and finding nothing to hinder, and his request is granted.

And Seth Kelley and Mehetabel Wing not appearing at this meeting for their answer it is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of ye 9th month 1726

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Seth Kelley and Mehetabel Wing came to this meeting for their answer which is granted that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and ye next monthly meeting.

And Nicholas Davis and Stephen Wing are appointed to see their marriage consummated in ye good order of truth.

The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.
And Deliverance Smith is appointed to keep the Quarterly Collection.

And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to make up the monthly meeting accounts wth Benjamin Howland.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 10th month 1726

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Nicholas Davis and Stephen Wing make report to this meeting that Seth Kelley's and Mehetabel Wing's marriage was Solemnized in ye good order of truth.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have made up the accounts wth Benjamin Howland as appointed and there remains in ye Stock 10£-01s-09d.

And Henry Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to oversee the meeting house for ye ensuing year.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to draw an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting next, and also to attend ye Same.

And John Lapham is added to John Russell to oversee the burying ground.
This meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay John and Henry Tucker 2£-10s-00d for looking after the meeting house the year past.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends 1£-15s-06d.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 16th day of ye 11th month 17$\frac{26}{27}$

The Several meetings thereunto called upon
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and William Wood present.
For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

John Tucker and Henry Tucker have drawn an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Henry Tucker and John Lapham have attended ye Quarterly meeting.
Archipas Hart Son of William Hart of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England and Sarah Clifton Daughter of Savory Clifton of Rochester in ye County of Plymouth in New England Laid their intentions of marriage before

1726 this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Adam Mott and Henry Tucker are appointed to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith hath paid $2^{£}-10^{s}-00^{d}$ to John Tucker and Henry Tucker as ordered.

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 12th month $17\frac{26}{27}$

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon.

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis and Elisha Wing present.

Archipas Hart and Sarah Clifton appeared at this meeting for their answer in respect to taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to hinder their said intentions, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in ye good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to see it in like manner accomplished.

This meeting being informed by the women that Alice Soule the daughter of William Soule Late of Dartmouth deceased hath Gone out of the good order of truth in marriage

Therefore Deliverance Smith and John Tucker are appointed to assist the women in Drawing up her Condemnation

Tools to be [illegible] This meeting doth appoint John Russell to provide 2 broad hoes and one Shovel and a mattock and a Spade for the use of friends.

Rochester meeting called and no business presented.

The next monthly meeting is adjourned till the 4th 2nd day in ye first month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 27th day of the first month 1727

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and William Wood present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

Upon consideration that several friends by reason of earnest business could not well attend, this meeting is adjourned till tomorrow at the usual time of meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 28th day of the first month 1727

Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing make report to this meeting that Archipas Hart's and Sarah Clifton's marriage was accomplished in ye good order of truth.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends one pound ten Shillings and two pence.

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have drawn up Alice Soule's Condemnation, and Henry Tucker is appointed to read the Same on a first day after the meeting of worship, some time between this and the next monthly meeting.

William Wood Nicholas Davis and Adam Mott are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next.

John Tucker and Nicholas Davis are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of ye 2nd month 1727

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.
For Rochester none appeared.

William Wood Nicholas Davis and Adam Mott have attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Nicholas Davis and John Tucker have drawn up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And Henry Tucker hath read Alice Soule's Condemnation as appointed and it is as followeth

not recorded

Land to be obtained at Acushnet

Nicholas Davis Deliverance Smith Henry Tucker and John Tucker are chosen to agree with Stephen West Junr for Land at Acushnet to set a meeting house upon, and a burying place, and make return of their doings to ye next monthly meeting.

William Wood Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to speak with Preserved Merrihew and Sarah Taber alias Merrihew to know whether the report of her having a child and Laying of it to the said Merrihew be true and make return to the next monthly meeting of their Doings.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

1727 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 15th day of ye 3rd month 1727

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

Land at [illegible]

Those friends that were chosen at ye Last monthly meeting to agree with Stephen West Junr at Acushnet for Land to set a meeting house upon, and a burying place, make report to this meeting that they have agreed with him. and this meeting makes choice of Henry Tucker to get it Laid out and get a Return of the Same, and make return to ye next monthly meeting of his doings therein.

This meeting thinks best that all friends that hath occasion to acquaint ye preparative meeting wth their Intentions of Marriage do appear there in their own persons.

Preserved Merrihew and Sarah his wife their Condemnation is Signed and Deliverance Smith is appointed to read it on a first day after the meeting of worship between this and ye next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath raised 8 pounds to be added to ye 9 pounds already in hand.

Deliverance Smith hath paid Samuel Willis 2 pounds 8 shillings for bricks.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 4th month 1727

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham.

For Rochester none appeared

Deliverance Smith hath read Preserved Merrihew's and his wife's Condemnation as appointed and it is as followeth

Thomas Akin son of John Akin of Dartmouth in ye County of Bristol in New England and Abigail Allen daughter of Ebenezer Allen deceased of said Dartmouth have said their intentions of marriage before this meeting and are desired to wait for their answer til ye next monthly meeting.

Acushnet

Henry Tucker hath got ye Land laid out to build a meeting house upon, and a burying place, as appointed, and it is referred to ye next monthly meeting for further consideration.

And Deliverance Smith and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to see into Thomas Akin's and Abigail Allen's clearness with respect to marriage and conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker is appointed to draw up an Epistle to ye same.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{06}-\overset{d}{02}$

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of ye 5th month 1727

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.

For Rochester none appeared.

Thomas Akin and Abigail Allen came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and ye next monthly meeting.

And John Russell and John Lapham are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the good order of truth and make return to ye next monthly meeting

John Wing of Sandwich in New England and Mary Tucker daughter of Henry Tucker of Dartmouth have said their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer

There is a subscription agreed upon at this meeting to pay for ye finishing of this meeting house, and for the purchasing of Land to build a meeting house upon, and a burying place at Acushnet

John Tucker Deliverance Smith and Adam Mott are chosen visitors for Aponeganset for ye ensuing year, — and for Acushnet Joseph Taber, — for Acoaxet William Wood, for Rochester Elisha Wing and Savory Clifton.

This meeting makes choice of Nicholas Davis Joseph Taber Joseph Russell Junr Adam Mott and John Tucker Junr to have ye deed made to, of ye Land at Acushnet to build a meeting house upon as abovewritten, and to get a deed for the same.

The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

1727 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21st day of ye 6th month 1727

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

John Russell and John Lapham make report to this meeting that Thomas Akin's and Abigail Allen's marriage was consummated in ye good order of truth.

John Wing and Mary Tucker came to this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time before the next monthly meeting.

And James Barker and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage consummated in ye good order of truth and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

Rochester - no business.

For minutes of 7th 8th & 9th mo.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 10th month 1727

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{01}$

John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to oversee the meeting the ensuing year.

Mtg House [illegible] Acushnet [illegible]

And Jabez Barker is chosen in the room of Nicholas Davis to have the deed of the land made to that was bought of Stephen West Junr at Acushnet to build a meeting house upon.

And this meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay fifteen Shillings towards ye abovesaid Land.

And this meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay John Tucker and Henry Tucker forty Shillings for keeping the meeting house.

And Elisha Wing and John Lapham are chosen to attend ye Quarterly meeting.

And John Tucker is appointed to draw an Epistle to ye same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 15th of ye 11th month 1727

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and Josiah Merrihew Present.
For Rochester none appeared.

Elisha Wing and John Lapham have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker and Elisha Wing have drawn an Epistle to ye Same.

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And Jonathan Taber's Condemnation is Referred for further Consideration.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of ye 12th month 1727/8

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And Jonathan Taber's condemnation is referred until the next monthly meeting.

And Abram Tucker desires a certificate from this meeting in relation to his clearness as to marriage and conversation.

And Josiah Merrihew and Eliashib Smith are appointed to see into it and make report to ye next monthly meeting.

And Ebenezer Slocum also desires another upon the same account, which John Russell and John Lapham are appointed to see into and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

1727 And Henry Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to assist the women in drawing up Hester Taber now wife of William Palmer her condemnation for her outgoing in marrying Contrary to ye Good order Established among friends.

No business from Rochester.

And the next monthly meeting is adjourned until ye third fourth day in the Next month.

And Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to make up the meeting's accounts with Deliverance Smith.

1728 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 20th day of ye 1st month 1728

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.

For Rochester – none present.

The friends that were appointed to see into Abraham Tucker's clearness as to any entanglement in marriage find none except to Hannah Hull of Rhode Island, – and as to his conversation pretty orderly.

As also the friends appointed to see into Ebenezer Slocum's clearness, they report that they find nothing of any entanglement with any person Except with Bathsheba Hull of Rhode Island and as to his conversation not so orderly as could desire but for time to come he promised to reform.

And John Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to draw up each of them a certificate and sign them in behalf of ye monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Judah Smith have made up the monthly meetings accounts with Deliverance Smith and there remains in ye Stock $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{07}$-$\overset{d}{06}$.

And it is referred to ye Quarterly meeting's Judgement whether the monthly meeting ought not to sign a Condemnation against Jonathan Taber's proceeding in marriage Contrary to ye order of friends, – or to take his own Condemnation which is here also present.

Our visitors being called upon give their account that they have done nothing in that Service.

And John Tucker and John Lapham are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to draw an Epistle to ye Same and Sign it.

And our Collection is Referred to the next monthly meeting And the matter concerning Hester Taber is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 2nd month 1728

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.

For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

John Tucker and John Lapham have drawn up Abraham Tucker's and Ebenezer Slocum's certificates, and John Tucker hath signed them in behalf of the monthly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker and John Lapham have drawn up an Epislte to the Quarterly meeting and attended the same as appointed.

Collected at this meeting for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{07}$

And the matter concerning Hester Taber not being done Henry Tucker and Adam Mott are still continued to draw up her condemnation.

And John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to view the monthly meeting minutes in order that they may be put upon record. And Isaac Smith is appointed to Record them.

And this meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay John Tucker 10 shillings, and Adam Mott 2 shillings.

And John Whitely and Abigail Allen have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and are desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer, and to settle their Estates so that their children may not be damnified by their marrying, And Deliverance Smith and John Lapham are appointed to assist them.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted. — No business from Rochester.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of y^{e} 3rd mo. 1728

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.

For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

Deliverance Smith according to order hath paid John Tucker 10 shillings and Adam Mott 2^{s}- as appointed.

And Deliverance Smith and John Lapham are still continued to assist John Whitely and Abigail Allen in settling their estates before they have their answer.

And whereas Deborah Read hath in time past gone out of the unity of friends in marrying contrary to the advice of friends doth now give in a paper of acknowledgement, condemning of her outgoings, and Deliverance Smith is appointed to read it on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay to John Tucker and Henry Tucker forty shillings for keeping the meeting house which is done according to order.

And Jonathan Taber's acknowledgement of his outgoings is referred until the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Taber is appointed to read Hester Palmer's Condemnation, which is as followeth.

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The business of Rochester called, and no business presented.
And this meeting adjourns the next monthly meeting until the fourth Second day in the next month.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 24th day of the 4th month 1728.

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.
And there was collected for the use of friends $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{08}$.

And Deliverance Smith is still continued to read Deborah Read's acknowledgement.

And Jonathan Taber's acknowledgement for his outgoings in marriage was read and accepted.

And Joseph Taber hath read Hester Palmer's condemnation as appointed.

And Elisha Wing and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting.

And Elisha Wing and John Tucker are appointed to draw an Epistle to the same.

And John Wilcoly and Abigail Allen having settled their Estates this meeting gives them their answer that they are permitted to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith and John Lapham are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the Good order of truth and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And this meeting makes a new choice of visitors,
For Dartmouth John Howland James Barker and Adam Mott,
For Rochester Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing.

Deed of Meeting house Land

And at this meeting John Russell Junr John Howland James Barker Adam Mott and John Tucker Junr. were chosen to have ye deed of the meeting house Land made to.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 5th month 1728.
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth John Lapham and Eliashib Smith present.
For Rochester none appeared.

And Deliverance Smith is still continued to read Deborah Read's acknowledgement

And William Wood attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John Tucker and Elisha Wing have drawn an account to ye same as appointed.

And John Lapham makes report to this meeting that he was at ye marriage of John Whitely and Abigail Allen and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

Subscription agreed upon for Rich'd Partridge – And this meeting agrees to come to a subscription of 10 pounds for Richard Partridge for service which he hath done for friends in England.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19th day of the 6th month 1728
The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth Deliverance Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And Deliverance Smith hath read Deborah acknowledgement as appointed.

And John Lapham and Isaac Howland are appointed to make inquiry into Benjamin Smith's Clearness as to marriage and conversation and draw up a certificate according as they shall find it.

Certificate Wm Wood Jr – And William Wood Junr hath a mind to travel westward and desires a Certificate and John Tucker is appointed to draw up one and sign it in ye behalf of this meeting.

Rochester meeting called and no business presented

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 7th month 1728
Dartmouth meeting called – none appeared by appointment.
Rochester meeting called none appeared.

There was Collected for ye use of friends 1–08–00

John Tucker and Deliverance Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and draw up an account to ye same.

There hath happened some difference between Jonathan Merrihew and his brother Josiah which John Russell Isaac Howland Henry Tucker Adam Mott and John Howland are appointed to hear and determine and make return to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting is adjourned until the first sixth day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the visitors bring in their account that they have visited the most of friends families in Aponegansett village and their visits were accepted in love, but where things were amiss, they were in hopes they might be better.

1728 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21th day of the 8th month 1728
The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and Joseph Russell Junr Present.
For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.
John Tucker and Deliverance Smith have drawn an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting as appointed, but it happened that they could not well attend it.

Abraham Russell and Dinah Allen having laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage. They are to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Josiah Merrihew and John Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's Clearness and make Return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Dorothy Wing of Rochester being about to remove to Sandwich to Live, desirs a Certificate of this meeting which Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis are appointed to draw up in order to be signed at our next monthly meeting.

The difference between Josiah Merrihew and his brother Jonathan not being Ended, the same friends are still Continued to end the same, and bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay Henry Tucker 11 Shillings for mending the meeting house glass, and the House where it was burnt.

And Joseph Taber John Walker and Elisha Wing are appointed to Labor with Samuel Wing of Rochester to show him the Evil of his inclinations to take a young woman to wife that is not a believer in the principles of Friends the people called Quakers, and make return to the next monthly meeting of their doings therein

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 18th day of the 9th Month 1728
Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Eliashib Smith present.
Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis appeared.

Russell

Whereas Abraham Tucker and Dinah Allen laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before the last monthly meeting, now they came for their answer and friends finding nothing to hinder their intention their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the good order of truth.

And Edward Wing and Patience Ellis having laid their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting they are Desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer, and Henry Tucker and Eliashib Smith are appointed to inquire into their Clearness and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And James Russell and Mary Howland having laid their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting they are desired to wait until our next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and James Barker are appointed to make inquiry into their Clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Deliverance Smith hath paid unto Henry Tucker 11 Shillings as ordered. The friends that were appointed to speak with Samuel Wing are still continued to Labor with him and bring in an account of their doings to the next monthly meeting

And John Tucker is appointed to assist the women in Drawing up a Condemnation against Hannah now wife of William Wood Junr for proceeding contrary to the advice of friends in her marriage.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 10th month 1728

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester none appeared by appointment.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends 1 pound and 2d

John Russell and Josiah Merrihew being called upon to give in their account concerning Abraham Russells and Dinah Allen's marriage signify that they saw nothing but that it was consummated in the good order of truth.

Edward Wing and Patience Ellis came to this meeting for their answer in Reference to their taking each other in marriage and they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and Eliashib Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the good order of truth and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And James Russell and Mary Howland came to this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Howland and James Barker are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized in the good order Established among friends and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Received of the women in money 2-14-00 which was paid to John Tucker for keeping ye meeting House.

Meeting house at [illegible]

This meeting agrees to build a meeting House at Acushnet near the bigness of friends meeting House at Pembroke,

And Thomas Hathaway Joseph Taber Jacob Taber and Henry Tucker are appointed to see it done as soon as can be with Conveniency.

And Nicholas Davis Henry Tucker and Joseph Russell Junr are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting — and to draw up an Epistle to

1728 the same and John Tucker to assist them.

And John Tucker and James Barker are appointed to over see the meeting House the Ensuing year.

And Hannah Wood's Condemnation was Signed at this meeting and is as followeth —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 11th month 1728

The Several meetings therunto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth Adam Mott and James Barker present.

For Rochester none appeared by appointment.

Henry Tucker and Eliashib Smith make report to this meeting that they were at the marriage of Edward Wing and Patience Ellis and saw nothing but that it was carried on in the good order of truth.

And John Howland and James Barker also Signify to this meeting that James Russell's and Mary Howland's marriage was Consummated in the good order of truth.

John Tucker and Henry Tucker have drawn up an Epistle to ye Quarterly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and Nicholas Davis have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

This meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay John Lapham Six Shillings for keeping the meeting house.

And John Tucker and Henry Tucker are appointed to assist the women in Drawing up Hope Smith's Condemnation for her outgoings.

And Hannah Wood's Condemnation is Read according to order

The Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting was read and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 12th month 17$^{28}/_{29}$

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

Deliverance Smith hath paid John Lapham Six Shillings as appointed

John Tucker and Henry Tucker have Drawn up Hope Smith's condemnation and ye Signing of it is Referred until the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and Adam Mott are chosen to purge the monthly meetings of such persons that are not under the care of friends

Acushnet Mtg House

And this meeting doth agree and are come to a subscription for the building of Acushnet meeting House.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 1st month 1729

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends $1^{£}-05^{s}-0^{d}$

Hope Smith's condemnation is Signed as appointed, and Jabez Barker is appointed to Read it in Some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, after our meeting of worship and is as followeth

Whereas Hope the daughter of Deliverance Smith and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the county of Bristol in New England having been educated among friends not Regarding the fear of God, the honor of her parents, nor of friends, hath by giving way to the evil one and her own wicked inclinations committed that great sin of fornication which wicked action we the people of God called Quakers do deny all such wicked actions and do give this forth as a public Testimony against the abovesaid Hope Smith her ungodly and wicked action, yet sincerely and truly desiring, that if it be the will of God she may come to a Sight and Sense of her outgoings and by an unfeigned Repentance and amendment of life so walk as to find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 1st month 1729

John Tucker
Henry Tucker
James Barker
Adam Mott
Isaac Howland
John Howland
Jabez Barker

William Wood
John Lapham
Deliverance Smith
Elisha Wing
Nicholas Lapham
Nicholas Davis

Ruth Tucker
Hannah Tucker
Mehetabel Burrill
Phebe Tucker
Mary Lapham
Elisabeth Barker
Rose Howland
Mary Howland

I acknowledge the above written to be Equal and just.

Hope Smith.

1729 The business of Dartmouth meeting called
The visitors being called upon to give in their account of their care in visiting friends families, and their account is as followeth

To the monthly meeting that is to be held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the first month 1729
We the Subscribers Give the monthly meeting the following account, that we have visited most of the families of friends in Dartmouth, and in most families we were kindly Received, and they Expressed a great deal of Satisfaction in our visits and when we gave them our advice in Love and tenderness they owned that it was the truth and hoped that it would be of good service to them and their children and hoped they should be more careful for the time to come, so that we believe that truth gains ground in some families, but in other some we received but a Cool reception and heard Reflections to our great sorrow and trouble, but where things were amiss and out of order we did not spare Labor and Pains in true love to have them mended, but we must leave the Effect to ye Only wise God who has all power in his hand,
So we have no more to communicate to your consideration, but remain your friends

John Howland
Nicholas Davis — Phebe Tucker
James Barker — Mary Howland

John Tucker Elisha Wing and Adam Mott are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting.
And John Tucker and Elisha Wing are appointed to draw an Epistle to the same.
The business of Rochester meeting called —
And whereas Samuel Wing hath refused to take friends advice this meeting makes choice of Elisha Wing Joseph Taber and John Tucker to Draw up a Condemnation against him and bring it to our next monthly meeting in order to be signed.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of ye 2nd month 1729
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth William Wood and Deliverance Smith present
For Rochester none appeared.
Jabez Barker hath read Hope Smith's Condemnation as appointed
John Tucker and Elisha Wing have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn up an Epistle to the same as appointed.
The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 3rd month 1729

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth John Howland and Jabez Barker present.
For Rochester Savory Clifton present.

Nicholas Davis and Ruth Tucker did lay their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting.

And Savory Clifton and Jabez Barker are appointed to inquire into their clearness as to marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

John Tucker and Elisha Wing have drawn up Samuel Wing's condemnation as appointed and it is approved and signed and Elisha Wing is appointed to Read the same in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting on a first day after the meeting of worship at Rochester meeting house or Cause it to be done.

And the next monthly meeting is adjourned until the 4th second day in the 4th month next.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 23rd day of the 4th month 1729

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon.
For Dartmouth none appeared by appointment
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Collected for the use of friends £1–11s–08d

Whereas Nicholas Davis and Ruth Tucker Laid their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before the last monthly meeting now they came for their answer and their answer was that they might procied to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth, in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Howland and James Barker are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing is still continued to read Samuel Wing's condemnation.

And John Tucker and Isaac Howland are appointed to make up the meetings accounts with the Treasurer.

chool Master John Tucker and Nicholas Davis are appointed to take some method to procure a friend School Master.

1729 And this meeting makes a new choice of Visitors, Viz —
John Tucker and Adam Mott for Aponeganset.
And Joseph Taber and John Russell jr for Acushnet.
For Acoaxet William Wood and Eliashib Smith.
For Rochester Savory Clifton and Elisha Wing.

John Tucker Elisha Wing and Adam Mott are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the Same.

And this meeting orders Deliverance Smith to pay to John Tucker and James Barker for Keeping the meeting house $2^{£}$-10^{s}-00^{d}.

And Mary Traffords acknowledgement was read at this meeting and accepted and is as followeth,

Dartmouth the 15th day of the 2nd month 1729
To the monthly meeting of friends to be held at Dartmouth the third Second day of this instant,

Friends whereas in time past I proceeded in marriage Contrary to the advice of friends and the good order practiced among them which disorderly proceedings brought trouble to friends and proved a great grief to my parents, Now Friends I Condemn the abovesaid Disorderly proceedings as wrong and a breach of good order, for which disorderly proceeding I am heartily Sorry and pray that you would Remit mine Offence So far as pertains to you, with Sincere Desires that you would Receive me under your care, and for the time to come have an Eye over me for Good, which is the hearty Desire of your friend — Mary Trafford.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 5th month 1729

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

John Howland and James Barker make report to this meeting that Nicholas Davis's and Ruth Tucker's marriage was Consummated in the Good order of truth.

John Tucker and Isaac Howland are appointed to make up accounts with the Executor of our Treasurer Deliverance Smith deceased

John Tucker hath attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn up an Epistle to the Same as appointed.

Adam Mott appd Treasurer And this meeting makes choice of Adam Mott to be our Treasurer in the Room of our friend Deliverance Smith deceased.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

Yearly mtg Stock And this meeting agrees to come to a subscription of four pounds to renew the Yearly meeting Stock

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Darlmouth the 18th day of the 6th month 1729

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth William Wood and Henry Tucker present.

For Rochester none appeared by appointment.

John Tucker and Isaac Howland are still continued to make up the accounts with the executors of ye Treasurer.

Deed of Mtg House and Acushnet There is a deed drawn up and signed according to appointment for the meeting House Land at Acushnet.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 7th month 1729

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon.

For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and John Howland present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

early Mg. Stock. Whereas the Last Quarterly meeting sent for four pounds to renew the Yearly meeting Stock, which this meeting hath Gathered, and John Howland is appointed to Carry the Same to ye next Quarterly meeting.

Rochester meeting called and no business presented.

John Tucker William Wood John Howland and Nicholas Davis are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and to draw an Epistle to the Same.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye first Sixth day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this third day of the 8th month 1729

The visitors being called upon to give in their account how they find things under their care in friends families, they give the following account, that they have visited in a pretty General way the families of friends that are under their care and things pretty well for the most part, so far as they saw, but in some families not so well as they desire.

And this meeting agrees that when the books viz. Robert Barclay's Apology that are near ready to come out of the press, that when they are ready then they shall have the remainder of the money for printing them.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 8th month 1729

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon.

For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith present.

For Rochester Savory Clifton present.

M stock The 4 pounds that was gathered the Last monthly meeting for Renewing the Yearly meeting Stock was Carried and Delivered to the Quarterly meeting as appointed.

John Tucker William Wood and Nicholas Davis have

1729 attended the Quarterly meeting, and Drawn an account to ye Same according to appointment.

School Master. And this meeting doth Still Continue those friends that were to get a friend School master, and that he shall a Grammar according to former advice and this meeting to be at the Charge thereof.

No business from Rochester presented.

The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 9th month 1729

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon—

For Dartmouth Joseph Taber and Joseph Russell Junr present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

Benjamin Taber and Susanna Lewis desire this meeting's approbation in taking each other in marriage, and they are desired to wait until our next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Nicholas Davis and Adam Mott are appointed to make inquiry into their Clearness with respect to marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly Meeting.

And William Wood junr desires a certificate from this meeting of his Clearness in marriage and Conversation.

And Jabez Barker and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into the same and make report to the next monthly meeting how they find things Relating to that affair.

And Elisabeth Wilcox daughter of Stephen Wilcox having gone out of the order of friends in having a Child and She being not married, This meeting doth appoint John Tucker and William Wood to assist the women in Drawing up her Condemnation.

No business presented from Rochester.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 10th month 1729

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon.

For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester John Wing present.

Ebenezer Sherman and Wait Barker having laid their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting they are desired to wait until our next monthly Meeting for their answer.

And Joseph Russell Junr and Henry Tucker are appointed to look into their Clearness and Conversation and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Lapham and Abigail Wilbur laid their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting. And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to make inquiry into their clearness and Conversation and make report to our next monthly meeting.

Nicholas Davis and Adam Mott having made inquiry into Benjamin Taber's and Susanna Lewis' Clearness and Conversation make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder their proceedings.

And this meeting Received forty Shillings of the women.

And there was Collected by this meeting for the use of friends 01-05-00

John Tucker and Isaac Howland have made up this meetings accounts with the Executor of the Treasurer, and there Remains in the Stock Seven pounds and Six Shillings 7-06-00 and this money is all Disposed of Except one pound ten shillings and Six pence which is put into the Treasurer's hands.

Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to take care of the meeting house.

Joseph Taber Jacob Taber and Thomas Hathaway are appointed to oversee the burying ground at Acushnet.

John Tucker Joseph Russell Junr and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and Draw up an Epistle to ye Same.

And Adam Mott and Isaac Smith are appointed to peruse the monthly meeting minutes with John Tucker in order that they may be put on Record.

And Isaac Wood is appointed to read Elisabeth Wilcox her Condemnation, which is as followeth

not recorded

And this meeting orders those friends that are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting to pay the remainder part of the money for Robert Barclay's Apologys and bring them to our next monthly meeting, and ye meeting to pay them the money again.

Rochester Meeting Called and no business presented.

1729 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 11th month $17\frac{29}{30}$

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon - For Dartmouth Adam Mott present.

For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

Henry Tucker makes report to this meeting that he hath made inquiry into Ebenezer Sherman's Clearness as to marriage and Conversation and finds nothing to hinder his proceedings.

Ebenezer Sherman and Wait Barker came to this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth. — and Adam Mott and Eliashib Smith are appointed to See it done and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And likewise Benjamin Taber and Susanna Lewis came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Nicholas Davis and John Walker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the Good order of truth and make Return to the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Lapham and Abigail Wilbur came to this meeting for their answer, Inquiry being made into their clearness and Conversation and nothing appearing to hinder their proceedings their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And John Russell and Nicholas Lapham are appointed to see the Same consummated in the abovesd order and make report to our next monthly meeting.

Joseph Russell Junr hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed.

And John and Henry Tucker have Drawn an Epistle to the Same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 12th month $17\frac{29}{30}$

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon - For Dartmouth William Wood present - For Rochester Nicholas Davis

Nicholas Davis and John Walker report that they attended Benjamin Taber's marriage and that it was carried on in good order as far as they saw.

And likewise Adam Mott and Eliashib Smith make report to this meeting, that they attended Ebenezer Sherman's marriage, and they saw nothing but that it was carried on in good order.

David Joy and Mary Taber Laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting

and they are desired to wait until our next monthly meeting
for their answer.

And Joseph Taber and Joseph Russell Junr are appointed to make
inquiry into Their Clearness and Conversation and bring in their
account to the next monthly meeting.

Rochester business called, and none presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house
in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 1st month 1730

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester none appeared.

Moses Sherman and Meribah Wood laid their Intentions of taking
each other in marriage before this meeting and are desired
to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Jabez Barker and John Lapham are appointed to
make inquiry into their clearness and Conversation and
make return to our next monthly meeting how they find things.

And likewise Gideon Gifford and Elisabeth Allen
laid their intentions of taking Each other in marriage
before this meeting and are desired to wait until
our next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Adam Mott and Eliashib Smith are appointed
to make inquiry into their clearness and Conversation and
make return to our next monthly meeting how they find things.

Public Friends. Mary Pennall. ary Lewis.

And our friends Mary Pennall and Mary Lewis from
Pennsylvania were here and their certificates were read
to this meeting's Satisfaction

And there was collected at this meeting 2-10-06

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William Wood Jr desiring a certificate, this meeting doth
grant him one.

And this meeting is adjourned until the first Sixth day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment
this first Sixth day in the 2nd month 1730

The visitors bring in their account of their visits
which is as followeth — We have visited the families
of friends in a pretty General way, that are under our
care, and in Some families things pretty well as far as
we saw, and in other Some not well, where we
gave advice which did Seem to be well taken.

John Tucker Joseph Russell Junr Henry Tucker
and Adam Mott are chosen to attend the Quarterly
meeting and draw an Epistle to the Same

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting
house in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 2nd month 1730

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon

1730 For Dartmouth Joseph Taber and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester none appeared by appointment.
John Tucker Henry Tucker Joseph Russell Jun^{r} and Adam Mott attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed and drew an Epistle to y^{e} Same as ordered.

And David Joy and Mary Taber came to this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and inquiry being made into their clearness and nothing appearing to hinder their proceedings in that affair they had their answer that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in the Good order of truth in Some convenient time between this and y^{e} next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Taber and Joseph Russell Jun^{r} are appointed to See their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Likewise Moses Sherman and Meribah Wood came for their answer, and their answer was that they might take each other in marriage in the Good order of truth in Some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker and John Lapham are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Gideon Gifford and Elisabeth Allen Came for their answer and their answer was that they might take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in Some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to see it Consummated in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Jonathan Smith and his wife their Certificate was read at this meeting and is as followeth—

From our monthly meeting held at Providence the 8th day of the 2nd month 1730

To friends at Dartmouth Greeting &c

Dear friends, After the Salutation of our Love, these are to Certify you that whereas Jonathan Smith and his wife desired a few lines from this meeting for your Satisfaction of what station they Stood in when they went from us, these therefore are to inform you, though they had it in Some things in time past yet Since their Conversation has been Such as demonstrated a reformation and a Return towards friends so that they were received and under the care of this meeting when they went from us and we recommend them as Such to you, desiring your care over them for their preservation in the truth.— Signed by

Josiah Owen, Seth Aldrich, Benjamin Paine, Samuel Aldrich, Tho^{s}. Smith
Moses Aldrich, Nath^{l} Gibson, Benj. Taft, Stephen Swett, Joseph Arnold

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 3mo month 1730

The Several meetings thereto belonging Called upon –

For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester none appeared.

Joseph Taber gives this meeting an account that David Joy's and Mary Taber's marriage is Consummated in the good order of truth.

And Likewise John Lapham gives an account that Moses Sherman's and Meribah Wood's was Consummated in the good order of truth.

And Likewise Eliashib Smith gives this meeting an account that Gideon Gifford's and Elisabeth Allen's marriage was Consummated in the good order of truth.

Isaac Smith and Mary Wilcox Laid their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until our next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Lapham and Henry Tucker are Chosen to inquire into their Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and bring in an account to ye next monthly meeting how they find things.

And whereas Amos Taber hath married Contrary to the advice of friends, this meeting makes Choice of John Tucker and Jabez Barker to draw up his Condemnation and bring it to our next monthly meeting in order to be Signed

And Adam Mott is appointed to get a new book to Record the monthly meeting minutes in.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay Isaac Smith £2 – 15s for Recording the monthly meeting minutes.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 22nd day of ye 4th month 1730

The Several meetings thereto belonging Called upon –

For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester none appeared by appointment.

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Isaac Smith is appointed to be assisting to John Tucker in the place and stead of John Tucker junr late deceased.

John Lapham and Henry Tucker give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder Isaac Smith and Mary Wilcox in Respect to marriage.

Isaac Smith and Mary Wilcox came for their answer and their answer was that they might take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Lapham and Henry Tucker are appointed to see the same Consummated in the good order of truth and bring in their account to our next monthly meeting.

Joseph Borden of Tiverton and Abigail Russell of Dartmouth

1730 laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and are desired to wait for their answer until our next monthly meeting.

Visitors nominated, For Rochester Elisha Wing and John Wing, — For Acushnet Nicholas Davis and Joseph Taber For Dartmouth - Aponeganset John Tucker John Howland James Barker and Adam Mott, — For Acoaxet William Wood and any one of the abovenamed for Aponeganset.

John Tucker Adam Mott Elisha Wing and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and Draw up an account to ye Same.

The Suffering of friends at Rochester whereof an account was presented to this meeting, which is accepted.

This meeting orders that Adam Mott take 50 Shillings out of the Stock for half a year keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 5th month 1730

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Henry Tucker present. - Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

John Lapham and Henry Tucker give this meeting an account that they were at the marriage of Isaac Smith and Mary Wilcox and saw nothing but that it was Carried on in the good order of truth,

John Tucker and Elisha Wing have attended the Quarterly meeting and Drawn up an account to ye Same according to the order of the Last monthly meeting.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And Joseph Borden and Abigail Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and things appearing Clear they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Howland and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends $\overset{£}{3}$-80-$\overset{d}{06}$

Adam Mott hath paid $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{15}$-$\overset{d}{0}$ to Isaac Smith for Recording the monthly meeting minutes.

And Amos Taber's Condemnation was Signed at this meeting and Jabez Barker is ordered to read it at Acushnet meeting on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 6th month 1730

Dartmouth meeting Called - William Wood and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing present.

John Howland and Adam Mott give this meeting an account that they were at the marriage of Joseph Borden and Abigail Russell and Saw nothing but that it was Consummated in the Good order of truth.

Jabez Barker hath read Amos Taber's Condemnation according to ye order of the Last monthly meeting. and it is as followeth —

Whereas Amos Taber Son of Joseph Taber of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in ye Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England hath from his Childhood been Educated among friends, his father and mother both of them the people Called Quakers, yet he in disregard to friends and the Good advice given him to the Contrary who Labored with him in love hath Gone Contrary to their advice and proceeded in marriage with a woman of an unclean Conversation having had a bastard child some time before, which proceedings have been to the great grief of his father and the trouble of friends, for which Disorderly proceedings we are therefore Concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony against such disorderly proceedings — and do deny the said Amos Taber to be one of us the people called Quakers. — Truly Desiring that he may return and find mercy with the Lord, — Tenderly advising all friends Children to beware of keeping bad and vain Company lest they are drawn into things that are evil and Dishonor the blessed truth we profess and Disgrace themselves.

Signed by order of said meeting

John Tucker	Henry Tucker	Joseph Russell Junr
William Wood	Judah Smith	Jedediah Wood
Joseph Taber	Adam Mott	Peter Allen
Joseph Russell	William Wood Junr	Eliashib Smith
John Lapham	Jonathan Wood	Joseph Tucker

And whereas there was a paper presented to the Preparative meeting signed by one Thomas Caesar an Indian signifying his desire to be under the Care and in unity with friends

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membership

This meeting makes Choice of John Tucker and William Wood to make inquiry into his Life and Conversation to know whether it be agreable to our principles, and bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott hath paid Jabez Barker 2-10-0 out of the meetings Stock for half a year's keeping the meeting house.

Rochester meeting business called - and no business presented.

And whereas Adam Mott was one of the Overseers of our monthly meeting and Desiring to be Excused from that Service, this meeting makes Choice of John Howland to serve in his room.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 7th month 1730

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Joseph Russell Junr present.

For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

1730 And John Tucker and William Wood give this meeting an account that they have made inquiry into the life and conversation of Thomas Cesar and find nothing but that it hath been orderly, and this meeting thinks fit to receive him under their Care.

Meeting at Acushnet every First Day. And whereas Friends of Acushnet have Signified to our preparative meeting their desire to have a meeting of worship Settled there on every first day as well the first day preceeding our monthly meeting as other first days which is granted

And whereas the Stable that was built to put Travelers Horses in being very much out of Repair, this meeting appoints Jabez Barker to repair it, and bring in his account to the next monthly meeting.

Acushnet [illegible] And this meeting agreeth to come to a Subscription towards the finishing of Acushnet meeting house.

And whereas Eliashib Smith having Signified to our preparative meeting of his desire of Laying his intentions of marriage with Andery Gifford and the matter appearing Something Difficult by reason of his not having her father's Consent which matter this meeting thinks proper to refer to the Consideration of ye Quarterly meeting next for their Judgement.

And Elisha Wing, Joseph Russell Junr, and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and to draw an account to the Same.

And Keziah Wood wife of William Wood Junr her Certificate was read at this meeting and accepted and She to be under the Care of this meeting.

And the visitors of Rochester give this meeting an account that they have visited the families of friends belonging to their Care — and ye acct is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting to be held in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 7th month 1730

These may inform that we have visited the families of friends belonging to our meeting at Rochester and we were received in love, and things for the most part were pretty well, Excepting Some few things not So well as we could Desire, but upon Reproof there was promise of Reformation.

John Wing
Elisha Wing

And this meeting is adjourned until the first Sixth day in ye 8th month next

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2nd day of the 8th month 1730

The visitors of Aponeganset and Acoaxet weekly meetings give this meeting an account, That they have visited ye families of friends for the most part under their Care, and things for ye most part pretty well as far as they Saw, but not altogether well

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 8th month 1730

Dartmouth meeting Called - John Lapham and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing present.

Jabez Barker gives this meeting an account, that he has worked about the Stable that he was appointed to Repair, and his work and the nails that he used about it comes to 13 Shillings.

And Adam Mott is ordered to pay it out of the meeting's Stock.

Butler Wing Son of Elisha Wing of Rochester and Bathsheba Clifton daughter of Savory Clifton of said town have laid their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and are desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Stephen Wing and John Wing are appointed to inquire into their Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And the matter concerning Eliashib Smith and Andery Gifford that was referred to the Quarterly meeting, the Judgement of the Quarterly meeting is, that whereas her father Christopher Gifford his reason against their proceeding in marriage is of no weight or value, that friends may admit of their proceeding in marriage to each other.

Joseph Russell Junr hath attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed And John Tucker hath drawn an account to the Same according to the Order of the Last monthly meeting.

Horses of travelling Friends to be shod.

And whereas it was proposed to the Consideration of this Meeting whether it might not be proper for the monthly meeting to be at the Charge of Shoeing Travelers Horses that Come to Labor in the Gospel among us which this meeting thinks to be very well and agrees to.

And whereas there was a Complaint to the visitors from Jacob Soule which was presented to this meeting concerning Nathan Soule's Son George that he hath begotten his daughter with Child, absented himself, and it is the mind of this meeting that Nathan Soule should do his Endeavor to get his Son home and that he and the young woman Should have a hearing face to face before some Solid friends both men and women that may be unconcerned and the said Nathan Soule to give an account to the next monthly meeting what he hath done in the matter.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 9th month 1730

Dartmouth meeting Called - William Wood and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing present.

The friends that were appointed to See into Butler Wing's and Bathsheba Clifton's Clearness have sent an account to this meeting in writing that they have made inquiry

1730 and find nothing to the Contrary but that he may proceed in marriage with Bathsheba Clifton.

And Butler Wing and Bathsheba Clifton appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage and things appearing Clear they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wing and John Wing are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott hath paid Jabez Barker 13 Shillings out of the monthly meeting's Stock as appointed.

And Nathan Soule gives this meeting an account that he hath spoken with his son George and that he is willing to have a hearing with the young woman provided that Jacob Soule would become bound not to take that advantage to prosecute him in ye Law.

And Jacob Soule hath Complained to ye visitors that Nathan Soule was instrumental or some ways encouraging in his absenting himself so as not to be brought to Justice in the matter relating to his daughter.

This meeting makes Choice of Henry Tucker Eliashib Smith John Howland Thomas Smith and Isaac Howland to talk with Nathan Soule and Jacob Soule face to face to see how things are and to bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

Paper addressed to the colonial governor, Belcher

And there was a paper signed at this meeting and on behalf of the meeting in order to send to our present Governor Jonathan Belcher Signifying our willingness to Comply with giving him his Salary according to the King's Instructions and Henry Tucker is appointed to Carry and to make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 10th Month 1730

Dartmouth meeting called upon — Henry Tucker and John Howland present.

Rochester meeting Called — Nicholas Davis present.

The friends that were appointed to see Butler Wing's and Bathsheba Clifton's marriage Solemnized not being present it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Henry Tucker makes report to this meeting that he hath not been to Carry the Letter to the Governor. he is still Continued to do it and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wing and Margaret Clifton both of Rochester did say their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer until the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing and Joseph Taber are appointed to see into their Clearness and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Stephen Wilcox Son of Stephen Wilcox and Mary Thomas both of Dartmouth Laid their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage befor this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And the friends that were appointed to talk with Nathan and Jacob Soule have given in an account in writing to this meeting of their doings therein.

And this meeting Chooseth Henry Tucker and James Barker to oversee the meeting House for the year ensuing.

There was Collected at this meeting for y^e use of friends 1-06-04 And there was 1-15-0 given by the women's meeting towards Keeping the meeting House.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay Jabez Barker $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{00}$ out of the meeting's Stock for half a years Keeping the meeting house.

And this meeting appoints John Tucker Henry Tucker Elisha Wing and Thomas Smith to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and to Draw an Epistle to the Same.

Subscription for a Friend of Yarmouth

And this meeting agrees to come to a Subscription for Joshua a friend belonging to Yarmouth, he being in a Low Condition as to his worldly affairs.

Schoolmaster

And it was proposed whether it might not be proper to do Something towards Getting a School master to teach friends' Children, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y^e 18th day of the 11th month $17\frac{30}{31}$

Dartmouth meeting Called – Adam Mott and Isaac Howland present.

Rochester meeting Called – John Wing appeared.

John Wing and Stephen Wing give this meeting an account that they were at the marriage of Butler Wing and Bathsheba Clifton and saw nothing but that it was Carried on in the good order of friends.

And Elisha Wing hath sent an account to this meeting that he hath made inquiry into y^e Clearness and Conversation of Stephen Wing and finds nothing to hinder his proceedings Respecting marriage.

And Adam Mott and William Wood make report to this meeting that they have inquired into the life and Conversation of Stephen Wilcox and find nothing to hinder his proceedings.

And Stephen Wing and Margaret Clifton appeared at this meeting desiring an answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. And Joseph Taber and John Walker are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the aboves^d order and make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

1730 And Stephen Wilcox and Mary Thomas came to this meeting for their answer as to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of friends in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting

And William Wood and Adam Mott are appointed to See their marriage Solemnized in the above said good order and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Richard Smith Son of Judah Smith and Dorothy Potter daughter of Stokes Potter deceased both of Dartmouth laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Isaac Howland and John Russell are appointed to inquire into his Clearness and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting how they find things.

Letter sent to Gov Belcher: And Henry Tucker makes report to this meeting that he hath Sent the Letter which the monthly meeting ordered to be Sent to the Governor by Samuel Thayer a Mendon friend.

The friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, and drawn an Epistle to the Same according to order.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And William Wood Junr and his wife's marriage Certificate was read at this meeting to friends' Satisfaction.

Stephen Wilcox desires Leave of this meeting that he might Solemnize his marriage on a week day meeting of worship, which this meeting allows of.

And whereas the Committee that was chosen to hear Nathan Soule and Jacob Soule Concerning the difference between them not having made a final Issue of the Same John Tucker Jabez Barker and John Russell are added to them to Judge and determine the matter and make return to the next monthly meeting.

No business from Rochester.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 12th month 17$\frac{30}{31}$

Dartmouth meeting called - William Wood and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing present.

Joseph Taber and John Walker give this meeting an account that they were at the marriage of Stephen Wing and Margaret Clifton and that it was carried on in Good order as far as they saw.

And Adam Mott Gives this meeting an account that he was at the marriage of Stephen Wilcox and Mary Thomas and Saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

John Russell and Isaac Howland Give this meeting an account that they have made inquiry into the Clearness and Conversation of Richard Smith and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage with Dorothy Potter according to their Intentions.

And Richard Smith and Dorothy Potter came to this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell and Isaac Howland are appointed to see their marriage accomplished in the above said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Eliashib Smith and Andery Gifford did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and wer desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see into his clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Humphrey Smith son of Deliverance Smith deceased and Mary Wilcox Daughter of Jeremiah Wilcox both of Dartmouth did lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Isaac Howland and Nicholas Lapham are appointed to inquire into the young man's Clearness and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

And Nathaniel Kirby son of Robert Kirby and Abigail Russell Daughter of James Russell both of Dartmouth did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer until ye next monthly meeting.

And William Wood and Jedediah Allen are appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith are appointed to make up the monthly meeting's accounts with ye treasurer and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas the Committee nominated at the Last monthly meeting to Judge upon Nathan and Jacob Soule's difference, not all agreeing in Judgement, this meeting's Judgement is, that the majority of said Committee shall determine the matter, which they Quickly did, and brought in their Judgement which was that he the said Nathan Soule should come to the next monthly meeting and acknowledge to the meeting, that he was to blame in the above mentioned premises.

And Richard Smith desires Leave of this meeting that he may Solemnize his marriage on a fourth Day after the meeting of worship.

1731 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of y^e 1st month 17$\frac{30}{31}$

Dartmouth meeting Called – William Wood and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting Called – Nicholas Davis present.

John Russell and Isaac Howland give this meeting an account that they were at Richard Smith's and Dorothy Potter's marriage and saw nothing but that it was performed in good orde

Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker Signify to this meeting that they inquired into the Conversation and Clearness of Eliashib Smith in relation to marriage and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in that affair.

Nicholas Lapham and Isaac Howland give an account that they have made Inquiry into the Clearness and Conversation of Humphrey Smith and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage according to his intentions.

And William Wood hath made inquiry into y^e Clearness and Conversation of Nathaniel Kirby and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in relation to marriage.

Eliashib Smith and Andery Gifford appeared at this meeting and desired the meeting's answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Howland and John Russell are appointed to See their marriage Consummated, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Humphrey Smith and Mary Wilcox Came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And William Wood and Henry Tucker are appointed to See their marriage Solemnized in the above said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Nathaniel Kirby and Abigail Russell Came to this meeting for their answer in Relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting in the good order of truth.

And Thomas Smith and John Russell are appointed to See their marriage Consummated in y^e above said order, and make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith have made up the monthly meetings accounts with Adam Mott, and there remains in the Stock 2–15–01

The matter Concerning Nathan Soule is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker James ~~Tucker~~ Barker and Adam Mott are appointed to attend y^e Quarterly meeting next – and to draw up an account to y^e Same

There was collected at this meeting —— $\overset{£}{2}$—$\overset{s}{01}$—$\overset{d}{05}$

—— And Rochester visitors give this meeting an account, that they have visited the families of friends belonging to their care and find things indifferently well.

And Acushnet visitors give an account that they have visited the families of friends that belong to their care and find things pretty well Considering their circumstances.

And this meeting is adjourned until the youths meeting next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2nd day of the 2nd mo 1731

The visitors being called upon belonging to Aponeganset and Acoaxet they give no account of visiting the families of friends under their care.

—— And it is ordered, that Adam Mott should take twenty shillings out of the stock for service done for friends.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 2nd month 1731

—— The several meetings thereto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth Henry Tucker and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester — none appeared.

John Russell and John Howland give this meeting an account that they were at Eliashib Smith's and Andery Gifford's marriage and saw nothing but that it was orderly performed.

Henry Tucker makes report to this meeting that Humphrey Smith and Mary Wilcox's marriage was solemnized in the good order of truth.

—— And John Russell and Thomas Smith make report to this meeting that Nathaniel Kirby's and Abigail Russell's marriage was solemnized in the good order of truth.

—— And the matter concerning Nathan Soule is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker Adam Mott and James Barker have attended the Quarterly meeting and Drawn up an Epistle to ye Same as appointed.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called — and ye friends that were appointed to see after Robert Barclay's Apologys are ordered to bring in their accounts to ye next monthly meeting how things are respecting that matter.

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of ye 3rd month 1731

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth Adam Mott present. — For Rochester none present.

And the matter Concerning the account of Robert Barclay's Apologys is referred to the next monthly meeting.

—— And Nathan Soule appeared at this meeting and Refuseth to take up with friends advice

1731 and judgement, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.
And the meeting is adjourned until the 2nd fourth day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 9th day of ye 4th month 1731
But no business was presented in order to be done.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 4th month 1731
Dartmouth meeting called - Henry Tucker and Adam Mott present.
Rochester meeting called and Stephen Wing appeared.
And concerning the account of Robert Barclay's Apologys is referred to ye next monthly meeting.
And Nathan Soule appeared at this meeting and still refuseth to take up with friends Judgement -
It is therefore the judgement of this meeting that Nathan Soule ought not to sit in monthly meetings as a member thereof until he hath made acknowledgement to friends' Satisfaction.

Visit of Ruth Jones of Pa. Our Dear Friend Ruth Jones from Pennsylvania was at this meeting and her certificate was read to friends Satisfaction.

And Adam Mott hath paid Henry Tucker and James Barker 3 pounds of the meetings' Stock towards keeping ye meeting house.

And our former visitors for the year past are still continued for the service of visiting friends' families for ye year Ensuing - and John Tucker is added to them,

And John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and to draw an Epistle to the Same.

London Epistle. The Yearly meeting Epistle from London bearing date ye 18th of the month 1730 was read at this meeting to friends Satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th day of the fifth month 1731
The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth Adam Mott and Jabez Barker present.
And Savory Clifton for Rochester.
And the account of Robert Barclay's Apologys not being ready, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.
John Tucker and William Wood have attended ye Quarterly meeting and Drawn an account to the Same.
The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting to friends Satisfaction.

Q. M. stock. And friends of this meeting agree to come to a Subscription of 6 pounds for the Quarterly meeting Stock as it was requested by the Quarterly meeting, and bring it in at the next monthly meeting.

And whereas there was an account sent from Rochester preparative meeting, to this meeting, that the widow Sarah Clifton now wife of John Rose hath gone out of the good order established among friends and married one that is no friend, for which disorderly proceedings, this meeting is concerned for the Clearing of truth, to draw up a condemnation against her, — and John Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw one and present it to the next monthly meeting in order to be signed.

And there was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Hannah Chace daughter of Nathaniel Chace for committing fornication and Henry Tucker is appointed to read it between this and the next monthly meeting on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship at Aponeganset meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 6th month 1731

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth John Howland and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And nothing being done towards the account of Robert Barclay's Apologys it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Y M Stock. The Subscription mentioned at the last monthly meeting for the Yearly meeting Stock was paid in at this meeting and delivered into John Tucker's hands, in order for Thomas Leach.

And John Tucker and Isaac Smith have drawn up Sarah Clifton now wife of John Rose her Condemnation and presented it to this meeting which is allowed and Signed, and Elisha Wing is ordered to read it at Rochester meeting house on a first day after the meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting and make return to the Same.

And Henry Tucker hath read Hannah Chace's Condemnation according to order which is as followeth — Whereas Hannah Chace daughter of Nathaniel Chace of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been Educated among friends yet to the Dishonor of God reproach of the blessed truth professed amongst us and to the grief of friends hath by giving way to the Temptations of Satan and her own wicked inclinations fallen into that wicked and Scandalous Sin of fornication as appears by her being delivered of Late of a bastard child. — We do therefore give this forth as a public testimony against sd wicked and unclean action Denying the sd Hannah Chace to be one of us the people called Quakers heartily desiring that if it be the will of God, she may by taking shame to herself through Godly Sorrow and Sincere repentance find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of men and women friends held in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 5th month 1731 and Signed by

John Tucker
William Wood
Jno Hathaway
Savory Clifton
Joseph Russell
Henry Tucker
Joseph Russell jr

Eliashib Smith
Thomas Smith
Joseph Tucker
Adam Mott
Nicholas Lapham

Mehetabel Burrill
Ruth Tucker
Mary Russell
Phebe Tucker
Mary Lapham
Sarah Taber
Grisel Sherman

Elisabeth Barker
Rebecca Russell
Rebecca Barker
Jean Smith
Rebecca Slocum
Abigail Whitely

1731 At a monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth at friends' meeting House on the 20th day of ye 7th month 1731

Dartmouth meeting called - Henry Tucker and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing present.

And the account of R. B.s Apologys is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing not having read Sarah Rose's Condemnation he is still continued to do it and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Anthony Arnold son of John Arnold of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island in New England and Sarah Fish daughter of John Fish of Dartmouth in New England did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer until the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's Clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Stable at Acushnet

And Friends of Acushnet proposed at this meeting that they have a mind to build a Stable upon the meeting-house land at Acushnet to put friends Horses in which this meeting agrees to.

There was collected at this meeting House for the use of friends $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{05}$-$\overset{d}{08}$

And this meeting is adjourned until ye first fourth day in the Eighth month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of the 8th month 1731

Adam Mott, Joseph Russell Junr, and Henry Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and Draw up an Epistle to the Same, and John Tucker to assist them.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 8th month 1731

The Several Meetings thereunto belonging called upon For Dartmouth Adam Mott present. - For Rochester John Wing present.

And the matter concerning the Apologys is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The friends that were appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting, have done it but could not attend it by reason of the weather being so stormy that they could not get over the ferry.

And Anthony Arnold and Sarah Fish came for their answer to this meeting and nothing appearing to hinder their Intentions they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the order of truth.

And Adam Mott and Thomas Smith are appointed to see it performed in the above said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing hath read Sarah Rose's Condemnation which is as followeth -

Whereas Sarah Clifton widow of Benjamin Clifton Late of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in New England and now wife of John Rose, hath of Late gone out of the good order established among us the people of God called Quakers and was married by a Presbyterian minister So called to one that is not in unity with us Notwithstanding she was once before condemned by friends for committing an offence of the same nature though not of so high a degree, for which, afterwards she did make some show of repentance, and sent in a paper to our monthly meeting signifying her sorrow for the same, and desiring that friends would pass it by, and that she might come under friends' care and in unity with them again, which was granted. Yet now through Willful Disobedience and slight of y^e good order Established among us as plainly appears by her Keeping Company in an hidden and unadvisable manner with one whose principles are averse to ours, and friends having discharged their duty in advising her to the Contrary as soon as they had opportunity after they heard of it, and yet she hath proceeded to marry out of the good order of friends. Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a public testimony against her Obstinate and Willful proceedings denying the said Sarah Clifton now Rose to be one of us the people called Quakers, Desiring if it be the will of God, she may Come to a sight and sense of her outgoings and so Come to unfeigned repentance and find mercy with the Lord and Come into unity with his people.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 6th month 1731 and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by John Tucker Clerk of said meeting.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And the meeting hath signed a Certificate for Thomas Lapham and his wife Recommending them to the monthly meeting held at Smithfield in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England.

And Seth Hiller and Dorcas Davis both of Rochester did lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and are desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to see into their Clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 9th month 1731

Dartmouth meeting Called - Thomas Smith and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting Called - Savory Clifton appeared.

And nothing being done towards the account of y^e Apologys, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Seth Hiller and Dorcas Davis appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder

1731 their proceeding in that affair, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And William Wood and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the abovesaid order, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell Junr of Dartmouth son of John Russell and Patience Tucker the Daughter of Henry Tucker of said Dartmouth have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and George Soule are appointed to see into the young man's Clearness in reference to marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Smith and Adam Mott make report to this meeting that they were at the solemnizing of Anthony Arnold's and Sarah Fish's marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in ye Good order Established among friends.

And it was thought proper at this meeting that some friend should be chosen to get the meeting House Glass mended, and John Russell is appointed to get it done and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Rochester meeting called, and no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 10th month 1731

Dartmouth meeting called - Jabez Barker and James Barker present

Rochester meeting called - and none appeared.

The friends that were appointed to inspect into John Russell Jr's Clearness make report that they have made inquiry and find nothing to hinder their proceedings.

And John Russell Junr and Patience Tucker appeared at this meeting desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott makes report to this meeting that he was at the marriage of Seth Hiller and Dorcas Davis and saw nothing but that it was carried on in the good order of truth.

And Timothy Ricketson the son of Jonathan Ricketson and Bathsheba Wilber daughter of Benjamin Wilbur both of Dartmouth did lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting, and are desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and Eliashib Smith are appointed to see into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And nothing being done towards ye account of ye Apologys, it is referred to the next monthly meeting

And Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to oversee the meeting House for the year Ensuing.

And John Howland and Adam Mott are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and Draw an Epistle to ye Same.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay one pound Sixteen Shillings to Henry Tucker and James Barker for Keeping the meeting House the year past.

And there was collected at this meeting for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$–$\overset{s}{13}$–$\overset{d}{08}$
And Adam Mott paid H. T. and J. B. one pound Sixteen Shillings as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth 17th day of the 11th month 1731

Dartmouth meeting called – Nicholas Lapham present.

Rochester meeting called – John Wing present.

And Abram Tucker gives this meeting an account that the marriage between John Russell Junr. and Patience Tucker was performed in the good order of truth as far as he saw.

And there was an account of Robert Barclay's Apologys brought in at this meeting and there remain yet Ten of said books belonging to this meeting.

The business of Rochester called – and it was proposed that whereas John Walker of Rochester being in a low helpless Condition and having thoughts of selling his farm to put himself in a way to sustain his family and Desires the advice and Counsel of his friends in that affair, and this meeting makes choice of John Tucker Benjamin Allen and Nicholas Davis to go and inquire into his affairs and make Return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned until the next fourth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 26th day of the 11th month 17$\frac{31}{32}$

Tim° Ricketson
B Wilbur
intentions

Timothy Ricketson and Bathsheba Wilbur appeared at this meeting and Desired their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and things appearing clear they had their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order Established among friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Howland and Jabez Barker are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the good order of truth, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

John Howland and Adam Mott have drawn up an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting, and Adam Mott hath attended ye Same.

And the Quarterly Meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

1731 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 12th month 17$^{31}/_{32}$

Dartmouth meeting called - james Barker and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing present.

Thos Yeuin & Abigail Wood intentions

Thomas Yeuin the Son of Benjamin Yeuin of Rochester and Abigail Wood daughter of William Wood of Dartmouth signified to this meeting their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Elisha Wing Stephen Wing and Jedediah Allen are appointed to inquire into the young man's Clearness as to marriage and Conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

John Walker to be assisted

And the friends that were appointed to inquire into John Walker's Circumstances, make report that they have been down to Rochester, and their judgement is that it would be well for friends to Extend their Charity and help him a little as they find freedom, which this meeting agrees to.

And John Howland and Jabez Barker make report to this meeting that they were at the Solemnizing of Timothy Ricketson's and Bathsheba Wilbur's marriage, and that things were carried on in good order as far as they saw.

Yearly Meeting at Sandwich

And this meeting adjourns the next Preparative and monthly meeting one week longer than the usual course by reason of Sandwich Yearly meeting.

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And Adam Mott gives this meeting an account that he hath bought a book to record the minutes of ye monthly meeting in, and it Cost $\overset{l}{1}-\overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{08}$ - and this meeting orders him to take one pound and ten Shillings out of ye Stock for the Cost of ye Book and trouble in procuring it.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay one pound Sixteen Shillings out of the Stock for mending the meeting House glass.

1732 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth ye 27th day of the first month 1732

Dartmouth meeting Called - James Barker and John Russell present.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing present.

The friends that were appointed to inquire into Thomas Yeuin's Clearness, make report that they have made inquiry.

And Thomas Yeuin and Abigail Wood appeared at this meeting and Desired their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Jedediah Allen and Robert Tripp are appointed to see their marriage accomplished in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

John Borden & Hannah Russell intentions

And John Borden the Son of Richard Borden of Tiverton in the County of Bristol in New England and

Hannah Russell widow of Seth Russell Late of Dartmouth deceased have laid their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly meeting for their answer, and he to produce a Certificate from the monthly meeting where he belongs of his Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation, and this meeting appoints John Tucker, Benjamin Allen, James Barker to see how matters are like to be settled among the widows Children, that they be not wronged nor injured (of what Property belongs to them) by their mother's second marriage.

And Adam Mott hath taken one pound ten Shillings out of the Stock. — and hath paid one pound Sixteen Shillings out of the Stock to John Russell as ordered.

And John Russell gives this meeting an account that he hath made as many Tools for the meeting's use as comes to $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{00}$ and Adam Mott is ordered to pay it out of the meeting's Stock.

And there was collected at this meeting for the use of friends 1-17-06

John Tucker Joseph Russell Junr. and Elisha Wing are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and Draw an Epistle to the same.

And this meeting is adjourned until the last fourth day before the Quarterly meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 12th day of the 2nd month 1732

The visitors of this meeting being Called upon, give this meeting an account that they have done nothing towards the visiting of friends families.

And the visitors of Rochester sent an account in writing to this meeting which is as followeth — To the monthly meeting to be holden at Dartmouth the 27th day of ye first month 1732

These may inform that we have visited the families of friends in a General way, and we find for the most part things among friends are pretty well Excepting some few things not so well as we desired but we Labored for amendment and we are not without hopes, and they received us in love, and seemed to receive our visits kindly.

John Wing
Elisha Wing.

And the visitors of Acushnet give this meeting an account that they have visited some of the families of friends belonging to their Care, and that their visits were well accepted according to their judgement.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 17th day of the 2nd month 1732

Dartmouth meeting called Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker present.

Rochester meeting Called — none appeared.

Robert Tripp gives this meeting an account that he was at the Solemnizing of the marriage between Thomas Yeuin and Abigail Wood and saw nothing but that it was Carried on in good order.

1732 The friends that were chosen to take care concerning Hannah Russell's children that they might not be wronged by their mother's second marriage have taken care about it and give this meeting an account that things are like to be carried on well and well settled.

And at this meeting John Borden and Hannah Russell came for their answer, and things appearing clear, he the said Borden producing a certificate from the monthly meeting where he belongs of his clearness as to marriage and conversation, This meeting gives them their answer, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell Junr. are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott Gives this meeting an account that he hath paid John Russell 2^{l}-05^{s}-00^{d} according to the order of the last monthly meeting.

The friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, and also Drawn an account to the same according to order.

Week-day meeting at Acushnet

And whereas the friends of Acushnet village have signified that they have a desire to have a week-day meeting settled in their village one or two days in a month and this meeting having taken it into consideration have granted that they may have two week-day meetings in a month settled among them, and it is left to their judgement to set the days and also the time of day when to meet.

Difference in family of J. Whitely (See next page)

And whereas there was a difference presented to this meeting between John Whitely and his wife's children, this meeting therefore makes choice of Eliashib Smith, James Barker John Howland and George Soule to judge and determine the matter between them and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 3rd. month 1732

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth—John Tucker present.—For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

The friends that were appointed to see John Borden's and Hannah Russell's marriage consummated give this meeting an account that it was carried on pretty orderly.

Week day Mtgs. Acushnet.

And Acushnet friends having met and considered the matter concerning what two days in a month might be most suitable to establish in their village for meetings of worship, they conclude upon the first and the last fourth days in every month which this meeting agrees to

And the friends that were appointed to determine the difference between John Whitely and his wife's children have agreed, and brought in their Judgement, which is as followeth –

We whose names are underwritten being appointed by the monthly meeting to hear and determine ye Difference between John Whitely and his Sons in Law, relating to the Goods or movable Estate that of right appears to be the Childrens, which said Whitely and his wife took without consent of said Children, and of his complaint of their not paying him according to former agreement. We have heard them and it is our Judgement that the said John Whitely shall Return the Goods or movable Estate, or the value of them to her Daughters which she gave them to. Likewise it is our Judgement that ye Thirty pounds mentioned in the articles Shall be void, and that all His Sons in Law that are under the care of our monthly meeting Shall pay the money to John Whitely yearly and every year which is due by bond to his wife.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of the third month 1732

Eliashib Smith
James Barker
John Howland
George Soule

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 4th month 1732

Dartmouth meeting called – Eliashib Smith and Nicholas Lapham present.

Rochester meeting called – and John Wing present.

There was collected at this meeting 1–17–00

John Tucker, Adam Mott James Barker and John Howland are chosen Visitors for the year Ensuing for Aponeganset village.

And Nicholas Davis and Joseph Taber for Acushnet,

And William Wood for Acoaxet.

And Stephen Wing and John Wing for Rochester.

Complaint
Wm [illegible]

And whereas there was a complaint brought in to this meeting concerning William Soule his Walking Disorderly, in abusing his wife reveling and Drunkenness in an ungodly manner notwithstanding the good advice and godly care that friends have taken with him from time to time he Doth still persist in his pernicious ways, therefore it is the Judgement of this meeting for the clearing of truth to give forth a public testimony against him the said William Soule.

And also there is a Complaint from Rochester that Rest Summers widow of John Summers Junr. hath gone out of the order of friends and married to one that is no friend notwithstanding friends have taken care and advised her to the contrary, Therefore this meeting is concerned to give forth a Testimony against her.

And John Tucker and Jabez Barker are appointed to draw up both their condemnations.

And this meeting is adjourned until the next fourth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 28th day of the 4th month 1732

William Soule's condemnation is drawn up and brought to this meeting and approved, and John Tucker hath signed it

1732 in ye behalf of this meeting, and Isaac Wood is ordered to read it or cause it to be read at Acoaxet meeting House on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship and make return to the next monthly meeting

And also Rest Summers now Randall her condemnation is signed at this meeting by John Tucker by order and in behalf of said meeting, and Elisha Wing is appointed to read it or cause it to be read at Rochester meeting House on a first day at the end of the meeting of worship and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker Thomas Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and draw an Epistle to the Same.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay John Shepherd three pounds out of the meeting's Stock for half a year's keeping the meeting House.

And whereas there was a paper of acknowledgement read at this meeting signed by Humphrey Smith and his wife signifying their sorrow for falling into that which is contrary to, and also a scandal to our holy profession, it is the mind of this meeting, that they both should be present and he to read the same or cause it to be read at the End of the meeting of worship on a first day at Aponeganset meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 5th month 1732

Dartmouth meeting Called - Joseph Russell Jr. and Eliashib Smith present.

Rochester meeting Called - Stephen Wing present.

And we not knowing whether William Soule's Condemnation is read, it is Referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Wing hath read Rest Randall's Condemnation which is as followeth —

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John Tucker and Adam Mott have attended ye Quarterly meeting and Drawn an Epistle to ye Same

And Adam Mott hath paid John Shepherd three pounds out of ye Stock as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 21st day of ye 6th month 1732

Dartmouth meeting called - Isaac Howland and George Soule present.

Rochester meeting called - and none appeared.

Isaac Wood hath read William Soule's condemnation, which is as followeth

Whereas William Soule Son of William Soule late of Dartmouth deceased in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England hath had his Education among friends the people called Quakers, And was married among them, yet hath in Slight of friends and good advice and Counsel given to him by them, he being under the care of our monthly meeting, friends have visited him from time to time to persuade him to leave off keeping bad Company and his bad conversation but he hath neglected their advice and Slighted their Counsel and hath given way to the temptation of the wicked one to that degree that he hath been oftentimes so much overcome with Strong drink, that he hath abused and beat his wife Several times as has been credibly reported and threatened her with hard Speeches to that degree that it is thought not safe for her to live with him;

We are therefore concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony against such disorderly actions, and do Deny the said William Soule to be one of us the people called Quakers, Truly Desiring that he may return and find mercy with God.

Given forth by our monthly meeting held by adjournment the 28th of ye 4th month 1732 Signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth ye 18th day of ye 7th month 1732

Dartmouth meeting called - James Barker and Isaac Howland present.

Rochester meeting called - none present.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}$ - $\overset{s}{10}$ - $\overset{d}{00}$

Deed of Acushnet Land

And this meeting appoints John Tucker and Joseph Russell jun:r to see after ye deed of Acushnet meeting House Land.

Behavior of Children [illegible]

And it was advised at this meeting, that all friends that are heads of families be careful that their Children and Servants behave themselves sober and orderly at meetings of worship, for there hath been notice taken that some of our young people are too much out of order in their behavior in meetings, in whispering and laughing and running out of meetings, which makes disturbance, and very disagreeable in a people professing Godliness.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye first Sixth day in the eighth month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this Sixth day of the eighth month 1732

The visitors of Aponeganset village give this meeting an account that they have visited the families of friends under their care in some degree but not all by reason of Disappointment but so far as they went their visits did seem to be well accepted

1732 and for the most part, things pretty well according to their observation.

And the visitors of Acushnet village give an account that they have visited ye families of friends for ye most part belonging to their care, and had good Satisfaction in their visits and have good Grounds to believe that Truth gains ground in some families.

And John Tucker and Joseph Russell Junr are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting, and to draw an Epistle to ye Same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth ye 16th of ye 8th month 1732

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth Thomas Smith present – For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And ye matter concerning Thomas Smith and his wife is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning the deed of ye land that belongs to Acushnet meeting House, is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Joseph Russell Junr have attended the Quarterly meeting, and Drawn an Epistle to ye Same

Wm Sanford
and Rebecca
Howland
[illegible]

And William Sanford of Dartmouth Son of William Sanford of Portsmouth on Rhode Island and Rebecca Howland of Dartmouth aforesaid have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and are desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and Jabez Barker are appointed to inquire concerning the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next mo Meeting

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And whereas Peter Allen is accused of committing fornication with Content Smith which he doth deny, therefore this meeting doth appoint John Howland and James Barker to go with the women friends, and hear the said Allen and Content Smith discourse together and see what they can find out concerning ye matter, and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 9th month 1732

Dartmouth meeting called – James Barker and Adam Mott present.
Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

John Howland and Jabez Barker make report to this meeting that they have made Inquiry into ye Clearness and conversation of William Sanford and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in his Intended marriage with Rebecca Howland

And William Sanford and Rebecca Howland appeared at this meeting and desired their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And Jabez Barker and John Howland are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized in the abovesaid order, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Humphrey Smith and his wife do refuse or neglect to take up with friends judgement in reading their acknowledgement, it is the mind of this meeting that judgement must go forth against them if they will persist in it. And John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to let them know the mind of ye meeting and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

And concerning ye deed of Acushnet meeting House land it is referr to ye next monthly meeting.

And ye matter concerning Peter Allen is referred to the next monthly meeting

And this meeting appoints Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith to make up accounts with the Treasurer in ye meeting's behalf.

And John Whitely not taking up with friends judgement between him and his wife's children, this meeting appoints John Russell and George Soule to let him know that if he doth persist in it friends must proceed to deny him. and bring in their accoun to ye next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott is appointed to pay to Isaac Smith $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{00}$ for Recording the monthly meeting minutes.

And whereas William Russell the son of Joseph Russell junr. hath gone out of the way and married (one that is not a believer in friends Principles) out of the good order of truth for which disorderly proceedings friends are concerned to give forth a Testimony against him, and John Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw up his Condemnation and present it to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 10th month 1732

Dartmouth meeting called – James Barker and Joseph Tucker present.

Rochester meeting Called – Elisha Wing present.

Jabez Barker and John Howland give this meeting an account that ye marriage of William Sanford and Rebecca Howland was Solemnized in ye Good order of truth according to the best of their observation.

Richard Craw and Joanna Sherman did Signify to this meeting that they have an intention of taking each other in marriage, and are desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wilcox and Dorothy Allen did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Thomas Smith and George Soule are appointed to inquire into ye young man's clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation

1732 and make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker and John Russell are appointed to see into Richard Craw's Clearness on y^e Same account, and accordingly to make return.

Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith have made up this meeting's accounts wth the Treasurer and we find by their account that he hath disbursed $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{1}$ of his own money upon the meeting's account, - and no money in y^e Stock.

And Joseph Tucker gives this meeting an account that he hath let Humphrew Smith know the mind of the meeting and the said Humphrey Smith doth condescend to take up with the meeting's advice in reading his acknowledgement or to get Somebody to do it according to y^e meeting's judgement; and desires the meeting to allow him two months time to do it in, which this meeting agrees to.

There was collected at this meeting 3 pounds 5 Shillings and $\overset{d}{6}$.

And whereas Peter Allen hath owned before Several witnesses that he was false in denying that which he was charged wth by Content Smith, it is y^e mind of this meeting that judgement should go forth against both, him and y^e said Content Smith.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw up their Condemnation and bring it to y^e next monthly meeting in order to be signed.

And the friends that were chosen to speak with John Whitely, give this meeting an account that they have let him know y^e meeting's mind; and he doth still refuse to take up with friends' judgement. Therefore it is y^e mind of this meeting that the said JOHN WHITELY should not be reckoned as one under y^e Care of this meeting until he shall make satisfaction to y^e monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott hath paid two pounds five shillings to Isaac Smith according to y^e order of y^e last monthly meeting.

John Tucker Elisha Wing and Thomas Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and to draw an Epistle to y^e Same.

John Tucker and Isaac Smith have drawn up William Russell's Condemnation which this meeting doth approve of, and John Tucker hath signed it by order of this meeting, and John Tucker is appointed to read the Same, or Cause it to be read at Aponegansett meeting House at the end of y^e meeting for worship, between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to oversee y^e meeting House for the ensuing year.

And Adam Mott hath taken 2 pounds Eleven shillings and a penny by the meeting's order out of y^e Collection, it being what was due to him for money that he had disbursed of his own, upon the meeting's account.

And Benjamin Sherman hath lent this meeting the Sum of 2 pounds and 10 Shilling.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay 5 pounds to Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker for keeping ye meeting house half a year, — which is done.

No business from Rochester.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 11th month 173⅖

Dartmouth meeting called — James Barker and Isaac Howland present.

Rochester meeting called — and none appeared.

John Russell and Jabez Barker give this meeting an account that they have made Inquiry into Richard Craw's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and find nothing to hinder his Intended marriage.

And Thomas Smith and George Soule also give this meeting an account that they have made inquiry into William Wilcox's Clearness, and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Richard Craw and Joanna Sherman appeared at this meeting desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing ye Good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And Isaac Barker and John Russell are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And William Wilcox and Dorothy Allen appeared at this meeting desiring their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in that affair.

And Joseph Russell and John Howland are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Ichabod Kirby son of Robert Kirby and Rachel Allen daughter of Joseph Allen did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Russell and George Soule are appointed to inquire into ye young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And William Russell's Condemnation hath been read according to ye order of ye last monthly meeting, and is as followeth —

Wm Russell disowned. Remarkable Minute.

Whereas William Russell the son of Joseph Russell Junr. of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in ye Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, hath from his childhood been educated amongst friends, his father and mother being both of the people called Quakers, yet hath in slight of friends and the good advice and counsel by them given to him and also contrary to his father's and mother's Consent, proceeded in marriage out of the good order Established among friends with one that is of another persuasion, which disorderly proceeding is not only Contrary to our orders, but Contrary to ye

1732 Scriptures of Truth where the Apostle adviseth the believers not to be unequally yoked with unbelievers, which disorderly proceeding hath been a great grief and trouble to his parents and to all sincere friends that are concerned for his good, And for the clearing of Truth and that all may know that we have no unity with such obstinate disorder and mixed marriages, we can do no less than give this forth as a public Testimony against him the said William Russell, denying him to be one of us the people called Quakers truly desiring that he may return and find mercy with God, Tenderly advising all young people viz Friends Children to beware of giving way to ye inducements of Satan lest they be led forth to scorn friends and the Testimony of ye blessed truth as it hath been delivered through great tribulations Even the sealing of it with the Blood of many faithful witnesses. Surely wo will be the portion of those who can so slightingly trample upon it and to those by whom the Testimony of ye Blessed Truth may fall in the streets in any particular, unless by true and unfeigned repentance they return to God, which that every disorderly and disobedient one may do is our sincere desire.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 18th of the 10th month 1732 and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by

John Tucker Clerk.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith have drawn up Peter Allen's and Content Smith's condemnation which is approved, and John Tucker hath signed it in behalf of ye meeting and is also appointed to read it or cause it to be read at Aponeganset Meeting House at the end of ye meeting for worship on a first day between this and ye next monthly meeting.

And the friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it, and drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted

And this meeting hath received forty shillings of the women and paid it to Benjamin Sherman for a part of what the monthly meeting borrowed of him.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 12th month 1732/3

Dartmouth meeting called - John Howland present.

Rochester meeting called - John Wing present.

John Russell and Jabez Barker make report to this meeting that Richard Craw's and Joanna Sherman's marriage was consummated in good order as according to their observation.

Joseph Russell Junr. and John Howland give this meeting an account that they were at the marriage of William Wilcox and Dorothy Allen and saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

John Russell and George Soule make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into the Clearness and Conversation of Ichabod Kirby and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage with Rachel Allen.

And Ichabod Kirby and Rachel Allen appeared at this meeting desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell and George Soule are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized as abovesaid and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Peter Allen's and Content Smith's Condemnation hath been read, and is as followeth.— Whereas Peter Allen of Dartmouth Son of Zechariah Allen deceased, and Content Smith daughter of Judah Smith of Dartmouth afores'd having given way to the Temptations of Satan and fallen into ye Sin of fornication as appears by the Said Content Smith having a bastard child and he the Said Peter Allen owning the child to be his, he the said Peter Allen having for some time made Profession of the Truth with us the people called Quakers, and She ye Said Content Smith having been Educated amongst us, her father and mother being both of us, ye people Called Called Quakers: which wicked action is to ye dishonor of God, and a reproach of the blessed Truth they made profession of; We are Concerned therefore to give this forth as a public Testimony against Such Scandalous practices, and do disown the Said Peter Allen and Content Smith to be in unity with us the people Called Quakers, truly desiring that if it be the will of God, that they may Come to unfeigned Repentance and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 11th month 173 2/3 and Signed by order and in the behalf of said meeting by

John Tucker Clerk.

John Lapham Junr. hath Signified to this meeting that he hath a mind to Remove with his family to Smithfield in Rhode Island Colony to live and Desires Friends Concurrence in that affair.

And John Russell, Jabez Barker and George Soule are appointed to see into his Circumstances in the matter and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Sandwich Yl meeting. And the next preparative and monthly meeting are adjourned one week longer than the usual course by reason of Sandwich Yearly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 26th day of ye first month 1733
Dartmouth meeting Called— Adam Mott and Isaac Howland present.
Rochester meeting Called— and none appeared.
There was Collected at this meeting for ye use of Friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{08}-\overset{d}{00}$

Edward Wing Son of John Wing deceased and Rebecca Slocum did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until ye next

1733 monthly meeting for their answer. — And John Tucker Adam Mott and John Russell are appointed to see how things are like to be settled, and whether the widow's Children are like to be wronged by their mother's marrying.

John Russell and George Soule make report to this meeting that they were at the marriage of Ichabod Kirby and Rachel Allen and saw nothing but that it was decently Carried on.

The friends that were appointed to see into John Lapham's Circumstances relating to his removing to Smithfield to live, give this meeting an account that they find nothing but things are clear and that he is like to remove in good order, and this meeting appoints the same friends to draw up a few lines by way of Certificate to ye monthly meeting at Smithfield of his and his wife's unity with friends here.

And this meeting hath paid Benjamin Sherman the money that they borrowed of him.

The visitors of Aponeganset village have given this meeting an account of their Service in the visiting the families of friends.

John Tucker, Adam Mott, John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next, and to Draw an Epistle to ye same.

And Humphrey Smith hath complied with the meeting's judgement in reading his paper of acknowledgement of his and his wife's outgoings

And Jabez Barker and James Sherman are chosen to assist ye women in drawing up Mary Smith's condemnation for her disorderly marriage, and present it to the next monthly meeting in order to be signed.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 2nd month 1733

Dartmouth meeting called — John Russell and Thomas Smith present.

Rochester meeting called — and none appeared.

Edward Wing and Rebecca Slocum not appearing for their answer it is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

John Tucker Adam Mott and John Howland have attended the Quarterly meeting, and Drawn an Epistle to the Same.

Jabez Barker is appointed to read Mary Goddard's Condemnation at a monthly meeting, before the men and women part.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 3rd month 1733

Dartmouth meeting called — James Barker and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called — and none appeared.

And Edward Wing not appearing at this meeting for his answer it is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker is appointed to read Mary Goddard's condemnati at the next monthly meeting, before ye men and women part.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 4th month 1733

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Adam Mott and Thomas Smith present.

For Rochester Savory Clifton present.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{17}-\overset{d}{04}$

Jabez Barker hath read Mary Goddard's Condemnation as appointed, and it is as followeth

Whereas Mary Smith daughter of Deliverance Smith Late of Dartmouth deceased and Mary his wife hath had her Education amongst the people called Quakers, her father and mother were both of said people, notwithstanding She hath of late gone and married out of ye order of said people though she hath been advised to ye contrary by her mother and other friends Concerned, therefore this meeting is Concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against such disorderly proceedings, and do deny the said Mary now wife of John Goddard to be one in unity with us the people called Quakers desiring that if it be the will of ye Lord she may come to a Sight of her outgoings and find mercy with the Lord.

Signed by order and in behalf of the monthly meeting held at Dartmouth on the 15th of ye 2nd month 1733

by John Tucker Clerk.

Edward Wing and Rebecca Slocum appeared at this meeting desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and things being inquired into and nothing appearing to hinder, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in ye Good order of Truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

The visitors chosen for this year, are for Acushnet Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell Jr,—

For Aponeganset John Tucker John Howland and James Barker.

And for Acoaxet William Wood Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood.

Nicholas Davis John Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next, and to draw an Epistle to ye same.

Mungo Bewley and S Stephens visit.

Our Dear Friends Mungo Bewley and Samuel Stephens from Ireland were here and their certificates were read to ye good satisfaction of this meeting.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the overseers of ye meeting House the sum of 3 pounds for half a year keeping the meeting House.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 5th month 1733

Dartmouth meeting called — John Howland and James Barker present

Rochester meeting called — and none appeared.

Henry Tucker and Adam Mott make report to this meeting that they were at Edward Wing's and Rebecca Slocum's marriage and saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

1733 The friends that were appointed to attend yᵉ Quarterly meeting have attended it and drawn an account to the same according to order.

And yᵉ Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 20ᵗʰ day of yᵉ 6ᵗʰ month 1733

The Several meetings thereto belonging Called upon –

For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and John Howland present.

Rochester meeting called – and none appeared.

The visitors of Acoaxet have given in an account to this meeting that they have in a general way visited the families of friends under their care and that they had good satisfaction in their visits, and that Truth prevails with some to a good degree.

And this meeting is adjourned until this day 2 weeks.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3ʳᵈ day of the 7ᵗʰ month 1733

And no business presented.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17ᵗʰ day of yᵉ 7ᵗʰ month 1733

The Several meetings thereto belonging Called upon –

For Dartmouth Adam Mott and Joseph Russell Junʳ present.

For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

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There was collected at this meeting 11 pounds two Shillings and 8 pence, whereof 10 pounds to pay the doctor for what he hath done for Thomas Cesar, and the rest to be disbursed to supply the necessity of yᵉ said Cesar, the money being put into Abraham Tucker's hands who with James Barker is chosen to see into his and his family's affairs and to supply their necessity as need shall require, and to bring their accounts to yᵉ monthly meeting.

Joseph Benson the son of Joseph Benson of Rochester and Experience Barlow daughter of Shubael Barlow of Rochester aforesaid did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till yᵉ next monthly meeting for their answer

And Savory Clifton and Stephen Wing are appointed to inspect into yᵉ young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Lapham hath signified to this meeting that he desires a few lines by way of Certificate to the monthly meeting in Smithfield. And this meeting appoints John Russell and George Soule to draw up one Relating to his Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And James Barker and Joseph Tucker are chosen to be assistants with John Tucker to have the oversight of Testimonies.

And John Tucker Joseph Russell Jr and James Barker are chosen to attend yᵉ Quarterly meeting next, and to draw an Epistle to yᵉ same.

And our collection for to supply ye Stock is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned until ye first 6th day in ye next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of the 8th mo 1733

The visitors of Aponeganset have given in their account that they have visited the most part of ye families of friends under their care, and that for as far as they went they found things pretty well.

And the visitors of Acushnet have done nothing this Quarter as to that service. And from Rochester we have received no account.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth in the 8th month 1733

Dartmouth meeting called – Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called – Savory Clifton present.

Savory Clifton and Stephen Wing make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into Joseph Bensons Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

And Joseph Benson and Experience Barlow appeared at this meeting desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some Convenient time between this and ye next monthly meeting.

And Savory Clifton and Stephen Wing are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate drawn up and presented to this meeting for Joseph Lapham, and John Tucker hath signed it by order and in the behalf of this meeting.

And John Tucker and Joseph Russell Junr have attended the Quarterly meeting, and drawn an Epistle to ye same.

And whereas Henry Tucker the son of Henry Tucker having been out of order in divers respects, and much Labor hath been bestowed upon him in love to Endeavor to bring him to a sight of his outgoings, but he doth still seem to persist, and make no acknowledgement to friends' satisfaction,

This meeting therefore thinks best to draw a Condemnation against him, and John Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw it up and bring it to the next monthly meeting in order to be Signed

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{14}-\overset{d}{11}$

And whereas Mary Merrihew daughter of Josiah Merrihew hath gone out of ye order Established amongst friends and married one that is not a friend contrary to the abovesaid good order and to ye advice of friends that labored with her to persuade her to ye contrary, this meeting therefore thinks fit to draw up a condemnation against her, and John Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw it and bring it to the next monthly meeting in order to be Signed.

1733 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 9th month 1733

Dartmouth meeting called - James Barker and John Howland present.

Rochester meeting called - Stephen Wing present.

Stephen Wing gives this meeting an account that Joseph Benson's and Experience Barlow's marriage was performed in good order.

The friends that were appointed to draw up Henry Tucker Jr his Condemnation have done it and this meeting doth approve of it and John Tucker hath signed it by order and in behalf of this meeting. and Jabez Barker is appointed to read it on a first day at the end of ye meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting at Aponeganset meeting House.

And Mary Merrihew now Kirby's Condemnation was presented to this meeting and is approved by the meeting, and Jabez Barker hath read it in this meeting and it is as followeth -

Whereas Mary Merrihew Daughter of Josiah Merrihew of Dartmouth in ye County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England hath had her Education among friends the People called Quakers, but for want of keeping to ye Spirit of Truth and her Education hath joined herself in marriage with one who is not under our care and is also under a Scandalous report of being father to a Bastard child although she hath been Labored with in order to persuade her to the Contrary by friends that wished her well, but she hath still slighted their advice and counsel to the trouble of Honest friends, we are therefore concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against such disorderly proceedings, and do deny the said Mary now wife of Richard Kirby to be one in unity with us ye people called Quakers, Desiring that if it be ye will of God, she may through unfeigned Repentance come to see her outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 9th month 1733 and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by

John Tucker Clerk

And Holder Slocum desires a Certificate of his clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and John Russell and Jabez Barker are appointed to inquire into ye matter and draw up one if they think fit, and make return to ye next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 17th day of ye 10th month 1733

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth Thomas Smith and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester - none appeared.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{00}-\overset{d}{00}$

And Jabez Barker hath read Henry Tucker's Condemnation which is as followeth - Whereas Henry Tucker son of Henry Tucker and Phebe his wife of Dartmouth in the

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County of Bristol in ye Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England hath had his Education among Friends but for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth and ye good order Established among friends, hath gone from his Education and let himself into a Liberty that is not agreeable to our Holy Profession in wearing divers sorts of Periwigs and his hat set up on three sides like ye vain custom of ye world and also speaking of words not agreable to our profession and for these his outgoings he has been labored with and Advised to forsake the same but he hath not done it to ye satisfaction of ye monthly meeting but still goes on in his vain conversation to the grief of the sincere hearted among us. Therefore for the clearing of Truth of such Reproachful things we are concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony condemnation against him ye said Henry Tucker denying him to be one in unity with us the People called Quakers, sincerely desiring that if it may be ye will of God, that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and by unfeigned Repentance find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting Held in Dartmouth the 19th day of ye 9th month 1733 and signed in the behalf of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk

Henry Headly son of John Headly deceased and Rachel Sherman daughter of Daniel Sherman deceased did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer,

And Thomas Smith and Joseph Russell Junr are appointed to make inquiry into his clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation, and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas ye Roof of the meeting House being grown Leaky it is concluded by this meeting that John Howland and John Shepherd should be the undertakers to procure the Shingles and to Do ye work so as to have it finished by the Latter end of ye next summer.

The friends that were appointed to draw up a Certificate for Holder Slocum have done it, and John Tucker hath signed it by order of this meeting.

John Tucker Nicholas Davis and Thomas Smith are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next, and draw an Epistle to the same.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to oversee ye meeting House for the year ensuing.

And Adam Mott hath paid three pounds to ye overseers for keeping ye meeting House half a year.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth 2 day of ye 11th Mo 173¾

Dartmouth meeting called Jabez Barker and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called John Wing present

Thomas Smith and Joseph Russell Jr make report to this

1733 meeting that they have made inquiry into Henry Headly's clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage with Rachel Sherman.

And Henry Headly and Rachel Sherman appeared at this meeting desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the Good order of truth in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Smith and Joseph Russell Junr are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next mo meeting

And Thomas Smith hath attended ye Quarterly meeting, and drawn an Epistle to the same.

And ye Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

No business from Rochester.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 18th day of ye 12th month 173¾

Dartmouth meeting Called - Adam Mott and John Howland present.

Rochester meeting Called - Savory Clifton and John Wing present.

Joseph Russell Junr and Thomas Smith give this meeting an account that the marriage of Henry Headly and Rachel Sherman was performed in ye Good order of truth as far as they saw.

Benjamin Wing the son of John Wing and Mary Hiller daughter of Jabez Hiller both of Rochester have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Savory Clifton and Stephen Wing are appointed to Inquire into ye young man's clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas Caleb Russell son of Joseph Russell Junr. hath signified that he intends marriage with Rebecca Borden of Tiverton and desires a certificate of his clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation,

And Nicholas Davis and Benjamin Allen are appointed to make inquiry, and draw one if they find things clear, and present it to ye next monthly meeting in order to be signed.

Meetings of discipline to be [illegible]

And John Tucker and James Barker are appointed by this meeting to take care and do their endeavor as far as may be consistent with Truth that no disorderly person or any that may come with an evil eye sit in our meetings of Discipline.

Legacy from Peleg Slocu

And whereas Peleg Slocum deceased hath as we understand Given ten pounds to the use of our monthly meeting, this meeting appoints John Tucker to get the money and bring it to the monthly meeting.

And this meeting adjourns the monthly meeting next to the fourth day of ye week, following the second day as it used to be on by course.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 20th day of the first month 1734

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth Thomas Smith and James Barker present.
For Rochester John Wing present.

The friends that were to see into Benjamin Wing's clearness, have signified that they have done it, and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

And Benjamin Wing and Mary Hiller appeared at this meeting desiring an answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting in the good order of truth.

And Joseph Taber and Savory Clifton are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The friends that were appointed to draw up a certificate for Caleb Russell have done it, and John Tucker hath signed it in behalf of ye meeting.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{9}$-$\overset{d}{6}$
The friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Elisha Wing and Adam Mott.

The visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account to this meeting that they have visited the families of friends belonging to their care and that their visits were taken kindly and in some families where things were out of order they labored with them in love that they might do better.

And the visitors of Rochester have given in their account to this meeting of their visiting friends families belonging to their care.

And this meeting is adjourned until the 4th day of the week that the Quarterly meeting is on.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 10th day of ye 2nd month 1734

The visitors of Acushnet village have given in their account of their service in that affair.

And the visitors of Aponeganset give no account.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 15th day of ye 2nd month 1734

Dartmouth meeting called – William Wood and Jabez Barker present. From Rochester none appeared.

There was an account sent from Rochester that the marriage between Benjamin Wing and Mary Hiller was accomplished in the good order of truth.

John Tucker and Adam Mott have attended ye Quarterly meeting, and drawn an Epistle to ye same.

And ye Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

1734 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 20th day of ye 3rd month 1734

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth William Wood and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Zechariah
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Our friend Zechariah Nixon of North Carolina was at this meeting and his Certificate was read to friends' satisfaction.

And the next preparative and monthly meeting are adjourned one week longer than they are by course by reason of ye yearly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 24th day of ye 4th month 1734

The several meetings thereto belonging Called upon -
For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester none appeared.

There was collected at this meeting £1-15s-06d

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the overseers of ye meeting house 2 pounds out of ye Stock, which with twenty shillings that was paid in by the women, makes 3 pounds that was due for half a year keeping ye meeting House, which is done.

And whereas Ellen Faber daughter of Joseph Faber hath gone out of ye good order Established among friends and married to one that is not a friend, this meeting having considered the matter, it is referred to ye next monthly meeting for further consideration.

The visitors chosen for this year are -
For Aponeganset John Tucker James Barker John Howland and Adam Mott.
And for Acushnet Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell Junr.
And for Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood.

And ye choice of visitors for Rochester is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And we have an account that Susanna Smith is gone out of the good order of friends and married to one that is her near Kinsman which is referred to the consideration of the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker Adam Mott and Joseph Russell Junr. are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and to draw an Epistle to ye same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth ye 15th day of ye 5th m: 1734

Dartmouth meeting Called John Howland and Joseph Tucker presen
Rochester meeting Called and none present.

James Green the son of Jabez Green of Warwick in the Colony of Rhode Island, and Hannah Tucker the Daughter of Abraham Tucker deceased did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Lake and Joanna Butler Did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and Jabez Barker are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning Ellen Taber is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas there were no friends from Rochester at this meeting, this meeting orders John Tucker and Adam Mott to write to Rochester Preparative meeting that they attend the next monthly meeting in order to give an account who it may be proper to choose visitors for Rochester.

And the matter concerning Susanna Smith is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker and Joseph Russell have attended the Quarterly meeting and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

Legacy of £ 10 from Peleg Slocum

And this meeting hath received of Holder Slocum the Sum of 10 pounds, which was Given to the meeting by his father Peleg Slocum in his Last will and Testament, which was paid by order of the meeting to Joseph Taber for Shingles.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 6th month 1734

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth Thomas Smith and joseph Tucker present.
For Rochester Savory Clifton present.

The friends that were appointed to inquire into William Lake's clearness, make report that they have inspected into the matter and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And James Green and Hannah Tucker appeared at this meeting Desiring an answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing to hinder, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And John Russell and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in said Good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And William Lake and Joanna Butler appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting in the Good order of truth. And John Howland

1734 is appointed to see their marriage Solemnised in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And William Ricketson was at this meeting, and the meeting having agitated matters with him concerning his Son's wearing a periwig, and the Disorderly marriage of his Daughter he desires some further time to consider of it, and so it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a Condemnation signed at this meeting by John Tucker in the behalf of ye meeting against Alice Smith for committing fornication, and John Tucker is appointed to read it or get somebody to read it on a first day at the end of ye meeting of worship between this and ye next monthly meeting.

And John Tucker is appointed to Draw up a Condemnation against Susanna Smith for her Disorderly marriage, and also another against Ellen Taber for the like offense and bring them to ye monthly meeting next in order to be signed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted by this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 7th month 1734

Dartmouth meeting called - John Howland and James Barker present.

Rochester meeting called - Elisha Wing present.

John Russell gives this meeting an account that James Green's and Hannah Tucker's marriage was carried on and accomplished in good order as far as he saw.

And Jabez Barker and John Howland give this meeting an account that they were at the marriage of William Lake and Joanna Butler and saw nothing but that it was carried on Decently and in good order

And William Ricketson appeared at this meeting and hath made the meeting satisfaction as to his Daughter's disorderly marriage, and as for his Son's wearing a periwig he doth signify that he will do his Endeavor to persuade him to desist.

And Alice Smith's Condemnation hath been read according to order and is as followeth -

Whereas Alice Smith the Daughter of Deliverance Smith late of Dartmouth deceased in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England and Mary his widow the aforementioned Alice Smith having been Educated among Friends the people called Quakers but for want of keeping to Education and to the Spirit of Truth hath by giving way to ye evil one fallen into the unclean sin of fornication (being delivered of a bastard child) to the Dishonor of God the reproach of the blessed Truth and grief of all those amongst us that sincerely desire the prosperity of Zion: we are therefore concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony against that wicked and detestable action, and do deny the said Alice Smith to be one of us the people of God called Quakers, Desiring that if it be y^e will of God, she may through unfeigned repentance obtain pardon for this her great wickedness and all other her outgoings.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of y^e 6th month 1734 — and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by John Tucker clerk of said meeting.

And Susanna Smith's and Ellen Taber's Condemnations were not brought to this meeting therefore they are referred to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis are appointed to attend y^e Quarterly meeting next and to draw an Epistle to the same

-Certif for Benj^{n} Powers.

And whereas Benjamin Powers hath signified that he hath a mind to travel westward and Desires a few lines of Recommendation concerning how his life and Conversation hath been since he hath been among us, therefore Joseph Russell Jun^r and Joseph Tucker are appointed to inspect into the matter and if they find things clear, to draw up something, and bring it to the next monthly meeting in order to be signed.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 21st day of y^e 8th month 1734

Dartmouth meeting called — James Barker and Adam Mott present.

Rochester meeting called — Elisha Wing present.

Beriah Goddard and Eunice West laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Joseph Tripp and William Wood are appointed to see into Beriah Goddard's Clearness concerning marriage and conversation and to bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

And James Cornell and Abigail Tripp appeared and laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Robert Tripp and Jonathan Wood are chosen to make inquiry into James Cornell's clearness and make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Merrihew and Edith Whitely did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were Desired to wait till y^e next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to make inquiry into Joseph Merrihew's Clearness relating to marriage and Conversation and make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to make inquiry into John Perry's Clearness Concerning marriage and conversation, and to draw up how they find things and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And Jedediah Wing of Rochester hath signified to this meeting

1734 that he desires a Certificate, and this meeting hath chosen Savory Clifton and John Wing to make inquiry into his clearness as to marriage and conversation, and to draw up how they find things and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends one pound twelve shillings and three pence.

And Susanna Smith's Condemnation was read in this meeting and is as followeth —

Susanna Condemnation

Whereas Susanna Smith daughter of Judah Smith late of Dartmouth deceased in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England having had her Education among friends, her parents being friends, but for want of keeping to ye Spirit of truth and the good order Established among friends, hath of late given way to her own inclination and hath married out of the Good order of Friends and married her mother's sister's son, though advised to ye Contrary by Friends — we are therefore concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against disorderly walkers and in particular against the abovesaid Susanna now wife of Stephen Colvin Denying her to be one in unity with the people called Quakers yet Desiring that she may Come to a sight and sense of her outgoings and to a true and unfeigned repentance so as to find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st day of ye 8th month 1734 and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

And Jabez Barker is appointed to read Ellen Taber's Condemnation at Acushnet meeting house on a first day after meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on ye 18th day of the 9th month 1734

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth John Howland and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

William Wood and Joseph Tripp give this meeting an account that they have inquired into the clearness and conversation of Beriah Goddard and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And the friends that were appointed to see into the clearness and conversation of Joseph Merrihew give an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

Also Robert Tripp and Jonathan Wood give this meeting an account that they have made inquiry into James Cornell's clearness, and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Beriah Goddard and Eunice West appeared at this meeting Desiring an answer as to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Russell Junr. and Joseph Taber are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the aforesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And James Cornell and Abigail Tripp appeared at this meeting desiring their answer as to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the Good order of Truth in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Robert Tripp and Jonathan Wood are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in said good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Merrihew and Edith Whitely appeared at this meeting desiring their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage observing ye Good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to see the solemnizing thereof and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Chase son of Abraham Chase of Tiverton and Mary Tripp daughter of Abiel Tripp of Dartmouth Did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Jedediah Wing.

And this meeting appoints Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith to make up accounts with the Treasurer.

And this meeting hath cleared the accounts with Joseph Taber concerning the Shingles.

And Jabez Barker not having read Ellen Taber's Condemnation he is still continued to do it between this and the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Paul Russell and Rebecca Ricketson being Friends children and yet have gone out of the Good order Established among Friends in marriage, therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and James Barker to Labor with him to see if he is willing to condemn his outgoings and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for John Perry.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth ye 16th day of the 10th month 1734

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth John Howland and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Joseph Taber and Joseph Russell junr. Give this meeting an account that the marriage of Beriah Goddard and Eunice West was carried on in good order as far as they saw.

And the friends that were appointed to see James Cornell's marriage consummated give an account that it was performed in Good order as far as they saw.

And also the friends that were to see Joseph Merrihew's marriage

1734 Solemnized give in their account that it was performed in good order according to their judgement

And Henry Chase and Abigail Tripp appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the Good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood are appointed to see their marriage solemnised and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Rufus Greene of Warwick son of Jabez Greene and Martha Russell Daughter of Joseph Russell Junr. Did lay their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage before this meeting and were Desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And there was collected at this meeting for the use of friends two pounds eight shillings and ten pence.

And Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith have made up the accounts with the Treasurer and find there is due to him $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{87}-\overset{d}{07}$.

And Jabez Barker hath read Ellen Taber's Condemnation which is as followeth —

Whereas Ellen Taber Daughter of Joseph Taber of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England Having been Educated among Friends the people called Quakers but not regarding the Spirit of Truth in her heart nor the advice of her Father nor the advice of friends, hath Stubbornly and willfully kept company with a man that is not of our Society, and hath joined with him in marriage contrary to the Practice and Good order of friends, as also contrary to the advice of ye Apostle Paul given to the Corrinthians — 2 Cor. 6 Chap. and 14th verse where it is said "be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness, and what communion hath light with Darkness, we are therefore concerned for ye clearing of the truth and friends to give this forth as a Public Testimony against all Disorderly walking and particularly against the abovesaid Ellen now wife of Peter Crapo, Denying her to be one of us the people called Quakers, yet sincerely Desiring that if it be ye will of God, she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings and by unfeigned Repentance and amendment of life, so walk as to find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 8th month 1734 and signed by order and in behalf of said Meeting by John Tucker - clerk.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 11th month 173 4/5

Dartmouth Meeting Called Adam Mott present. - Rochester Meeting Called none appeard

Henry Chase's and Mary Tripp's marriage hath been orderly accomplished according to information. —

And Rufus Greene and Martha Russell appeared at this meeting and had their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting according to the Good order of truth.

And John Lapham and Jabez Barker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the abovesaid order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same have done it according to order.

Peleg Huttlestone recd into membership

There was a paper presented to this meeting by Peleg Huttlestone Signifying his Desire of Coming under ye Care of Friends, which this meeting finds freedom to accept, and he to be under our Care.

There was a Condemnation signed at this meeting against Mary Hathaway for her outgoings, — and Joseph Russell Junr is appointed to read it or cause it to be read at Acushnet meeting House on a first day after the meeting of worship, between this and ye next monthly meeting.

There was also a Condemnation signed at this meeting against Paul Russell and Rebecca Ricketson now wife of said Paul Russell for their Disorderly marriage, which is as followeth —

Whereas Paul Russell son of James Russell of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England and Rebecca Ricketson daughter of Jonathan Ricketson of ye Town and County aforesaid the said Paul Russell and Rebecca Ricketson having been Educated amongst ye People of God called Quakers and now having gone out of ye Good order Established amongst the said people in marriage tho. advised to the Contrary, and now for ye Clearing of the truth from such disorderly proceedings, we Do disown the said Paul Russell and Rebecca now wife of said Paul Russell to be in unity with us the people Called Quakers.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 12th month 1734/5

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon — For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester — Elisha Wing appeared.

John Lapham and Jabez Barker have signified to this meeting that they were at the marriage of Rufus Greene and Martha Russell and that it was Solemnized in ye Good order of truth as far as they saw.

And Mary Hathaway's Condemnation hath been read according to ye order of ye last monthly meeting, and is as followeth —

Whereas Mary Hathaway daughter of Thomas Hathaway of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the

1734 Massachusetts Bay in New England having had her Education among Friends the people called Quakers but for want of keeping to her Education and to y^e Spirit of Truth in her own heart hath given way to the Temptations of the wicked one that she hath kept company with one that is an unbeliever as to our principles to that Degree that she hath committed the sin of fornication, and also married to him, all which is contrary to y^e Scriptures of Truth and to our holy profession to y^e Dishonor of God and grief of the Honest hearted amongst us, - we are therefore Concerned to give this forth as a public Testimony against that wicked action and do deny her the said Mary, now wife of Thomas Hempton, to be one in unity with us the people Called Quakers, Desiring if it be the will of God, she may through unfeigned Repentance obtain Pardon for this her wickedness and all her other outgoings.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y^e 20th day of y^e 11th month 1734/5
And signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by
John Tucker - Clerk

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 1st month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing Present.

There was collected at this meeting for y^e use of friends $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{05}-\overset{d}{03}$

And whereas William Lake and his wife have sent in a paper to this meeting condemning their outgoings, Friends having considered the matter, it is the mind of this meeting that it may be accepted if he the said Lake will read it or get somebody to do it publicly on a first day at the End of the meeting of worship at Aponeganset meeting House between this and the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till y^e first sixth day in the 2nd month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of the 2nd month 1735

Sufferings of Acoaxet Friends

There were some Sufferings of Friends of Acoaxet village for their refusing to Train, presented to meeting, which this meeting doth accept in order that they may be sent to the next Quarterly meeting

The visitors belonging to our monthly meeting have given in their accounts, that they have in a general way visited the families of friends and for y^e most part find things pretty well and where they found things not well they Labored for a reformation.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Elisha Wing John Howland and James Barker, and to Draw an Epistle to y^e same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 2nd month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester — none appeared.

And William Lake hath read his paper of acknowledgment accordin to the order of ye Last monthly meeting; which is as followeth

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The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it, and Drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 3rd month 1735

The meetings thereto belonging called upon —

For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And whereas there was a complaint brought to this meeting against Thomas Hathaway concerning his keeping company at divers unseasonable times with woman of a Disgraceful character, this meeting having Discoursed and Labored with him concerning the matter, and he not giving any reasonable Satisfaction, it is the mind of this meeting for the clearing of the Truth that a condemnation Should go forth against him,

And John Tucker Elisha Wing and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw one and present it to ye next monthly meeting.

Nicholas Davis Suffer g

And Nicholas Davis hath presented an account of his Suffering, upon the account of his Son's not training, which is accepted in order to go to the Quarterly meeting.

1735 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 4th month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and Jabez Barker present.
For Rochester - none appeared.
And it was concluded this meeting be adjourned till the 23rd day of this instant

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 23rd day of the 4th month 1735

The Friends that were appointed to Draw up Thomas Hathaway's Condemnation, have done it, and this meeting doth approve it, and have ordered Jacob Taber to read or Cause it to be read at Acushnet meeting house on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Collected at this meeting for the use of friends $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{16}-\overset{d}{09}$.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker, and also to draw an Epistle to the same.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the overseers of the meeting house 30 Shillings towards keeping the meeting House the half year past, which is done.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 5th month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.
And Thomas Hathaway's Condemnation hath been read and is as followeth -

Whereas Thomas Hathaway of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England hath made profession with us the people called Quakers for some time past, nevertheless for the want of a watchful Care, hath of Late fallen into Several Scandalous and reproachful things which we have carefully and Diligently inquired into and maturely Considered the matter and his defense therein, and he not Clearing himself to our Satisfaction, we therefore do Deny him to be one of our Communion, Sincerely desiring that if it be the will of God, he may Come to a sight and Sense of his outgoings and to an unfeigned repentance.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 23rd of ye 4th month 1735 and Signed by order and in behalf of Said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

And John Tucker and Adam Mott have attended the Quarterly meeting, and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

There was collected and brought into this meeting by the women, the Sum of 20 Shillings, which was delivered to the Treasurer for the meeting's use.

Yearly Mtg stock.

It was concluded at this meeting to come to a Subscription to raise the sum of 20 pounds to supply the Yearly meeting Stock and other necessary charges arising among ourselves of which subscription there is (9) nine pounds 3 Shillings and 6 pence paid in, and Delivered to Adam Mott.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the overseers of the meeting house $1^{£}-10^{s}-00^{d}$ which is done.

And also this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to Jonathan Wood the sum of 40 shillings towards the support of Deborah Sanders.

And also to pay to John Shepherd 4 pounds for work done towards repairing the meeting House which he hath done, and there remains yet due to said Shepherd the sum of 3 pounds 5 Shillings and 6 pence.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on ye 18th day of the 6th month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth James Barker and John Howland present.

For Rochester - none appeared.

The visitors chosen for Acoaxet village are William Wood and Joseph Tripp.

And for Aponeganset John Tucker, Adam Mott, Joseph Tucker and Barnabas Howland.

And for Acushnet Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell Junr.

And whereas William Russell ye son of Joseph Russell Junr hath signified that he desires a certificate of his clearness respecting marriage and conversation, this meeting appoints Benjamin Allen and John Howland to inquire into ye matter and if they find things clear to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas this meeting hath received a paper signed by Meribah Sherman signifying her sorrow for her outgoings, which this meeting having considered it is their mind that she should take the paper and read it or cause it to be read at the end of the meeting of worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting, and she to be present.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to John Shepherd four pounds nineteen shillings and six pence, it being the sum in full of what the meeting owes him upon his own account, and the Glazier, which is done.

And this meeting is adjourned till the next fourth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 27th day of the 6th month 1735

There was a certificate brought to this meeting for Michael Smith of his clearness respecting marriage and conversation directed to the monthly meeting at Swansey and signed by John Tucker in behalf of ye meeting.

1735 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th Day of the 7th month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester John Wing present.

There was a Certificate presented at this meeting for William Russell and John Tucker hath signed it in behalf of this meeting.

Elisha Wing and John Wing are appointed visitors for Rochester.

The visitors of Acoaxet have given in an account to this meeting of their Service in visiting friend's families, and signify that they find things as well as could be Expected for the most part.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends $2^{£}-12^{s}-09^{d}$

This meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to Jonathan Wood 3 pounds 13 Shillings and nine pence for ye support of Deborah Landers; which is done

And this meeting is adjourned until the first sixth day in the 8th month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3rd day of the 8th month 1735

The visitors of Aponeganset village have given in their account that they have visited the families of friends under their care in a General way.

And also the visitors of Rochester have sent in their account to this meeting of their Service in that affair.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are John Tucker William Wood Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker, and to draw an Epistle to ye same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 8th month 1735.

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth none appeared by appointment.
Rochester meeting called and none appeared.

Meribah Sherman's acknowledgement hath been read as appointed.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th Day of ye 9th month 1735.

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth John Howland and Isaac Howland present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Adam Mott hath paid in the money that was raised to supply the Yearly meeting stock which was 3 pounds and 10 Shillings, according to the request of ye Quarterly meeting.

And whereas there hath been a report concerning

David Akin that he hath acted that which is reproachful in abusing John Whitly, which after having Discoursed with said Akin he doth acknowledge, and signifies that he will draw up something in order to make satisfaction against the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 10th month 1735

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth James Barker and John Howland present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends one pound eighteen shillings.

Luke Hart and Mary Huttlestone Did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

David Akin hath given in a paper of acknowledgement to this meeting, which at present are not free to take up with for full satisfaction, so ye matter is referred.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Adam Mott, Elisha Wing and Thomas Smith, and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

The Friends appointed to oversee the meeting House the year ensuing are Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker.

And there was 40 shillings brought in by the women towards the support of Deborah Landers, which was delivered to Joseph Tripp, and it was concluded that the next monthly meeting should come to a further collection upon the same account.

And this meeting hath ordered that Adam Mott should pay three pounds to the overseers for half a year's keeping the meeting house which is Done.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 11th month 1735/6

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into Luke Harts clearness, and find nothing to hinder him in his intended marriage.

Luke Hart and Mary Huttlestone appeared at this meeting for their answer relating to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some

1735 Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting Observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the abovesaid order, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Adam Mott hath attended the Quarterly meeting, and there was an Epistle drawn and sent as ordered

Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith are appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer and bring in their accounts to ye next monthly meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted, and it was desired in the Epistle that our monthly meeting should collect the sum of 17 pounds which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 12th month 17$^{35}/_{36}$

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Nicholas Howland and Zeruiah Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Lapham and Joseph Russell Junr. are appointed to inquire into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Eliashib Smith makes report to this meeting that he was at the marriage of Luke Hart and Mary Huttlestone, and that it was carried on in good order according to his observation.

And whereas Isaac Chase hath been Disorderly in his Conversation, This meeting appoints James Barker and George Soule to Labor with him in order to bring him to a sight of his outgoings, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Eliashib Smith and Isaac Smith have reckoned with the Treasurer and find that after accounts balanced there remains in the Stock 11 Shillings.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our Meeting House in Dartmouth the 15th day of the first month 1736.

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.
For Rochester John Wing present.

The Friends that were to inquire into Nicholas Howland's Clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Nicholas Howland and Zeruiah Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer as to taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And John Lapham and Joseph Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the aforesaid order, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

David Akin hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for the abuse offered to John Whitely and it is the mind of this meeting that said Akin shall Read said paper or Cause it to be read, he being present and at the end of the meeting of worship on a first day at Aponeganset meeting House between this and the next monthly meeting.

The visitors of Rochester and Acoaxet have given in their accounts of their visiting the families of friends in a general way under their care.

There were 2 papers presented to this meeting, one from William Randall, and another from Rest Randall his wife, signifying their desire to come into unity with friends, and it is the mind of this meeting that Friends should wait some for further proof of their sincerity.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends 1-06-03

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in the Second month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this second day of ye 2nd month 1736

The visitors of Acushnet have given in their account that they have visited friends families under their care.

The visitors of Aponeganset have done nothing this Quarter towards visiting friends families.

The Friends that were chosen to speak with Isaac Chase have done it and Signify to this meeting that they cannot find that he hath any inclination to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith to draw up something against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and Draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 2nd month 1736

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—

For Dartmouth James Barker and John Howland present.

For Rochester none appeared.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

And David Akin's paper was read as ordered, and is as followeth

To the monthly meeting of friends to be holden in Dartmouth on the 15th of the first month 1736

1736 Friends, I being off my watch, have abused John Whitely, for which I have been very Sorry, and Deeply bowed in my Spirit many times, and have been since with John Whitely and made him Satisfaction for the wrong done him, and Desire that Friends would pass it by, and God to forgive me my trespass against the truth ---------- David Akin.

Joseph Brownell and Leah Lawton did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wood and Joseph Tripp are appointed to inquire into their Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Chase his Condemnation was Drawn up and brought to this meeting and is accepted, and John Tucker hath Signed it in behalf of this meeting. — and Joseph Tucker is appointed to read it on a first day at the end of the meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And Amos Taber hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his outgoings, desiring that friends would receive him under their care, which this meeting accepts of.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 3rd month 1736

The several meetings thereto belonging Called upon -
For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.
Rochester meeting called Savory Clifton present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Joseph Brownell's Clearness, make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into the matter and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage

And Joseph Tucker hath read Isaac Chase's Condemnation which is as followeth -

not recorded

And Joseph Brownell and Leah Lawton appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And William Wood and Joseph Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Lapham and Joseph Russell give this meeting an account that Nicholas Howland's and Zeruiah Russell's marriage was performed in the good order of Truth.

And Joseph Brownell hath Desired leave of this meeting that he may accomplish his marriage on a meeting day which this meeting doth consent to.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st of the 4th month 1736

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth William Wood and James Barker present.
For Rochester Savory Clifton present.

William Wood and Joseph Tripp give this meeting an account that Joseph Brownell's and Leah Lawton's marriage was solemnized in good order.

And William Bowdish the son of William Bowdish and Mary Hart the Daughter of William Hart have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The visitors chosen for this year are
For Acoaxet William Wood Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood,
For Acushnet Joseph Russell Junr. and Benjamin Allen,
And for Rochester Elisha Wing and John Wing.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends 1-19-04

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers thirty shillings out of the stock which with money that the women gave in was due for half a years keeping the meeting House, which money was forthwith paid.

And Samuel Howland hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his outgoings in taking an oath, which is referred to the consideration of the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Barnabas Chase hath gone out of the good order Established amongst us in marriage, and Friends have Labored with him, but he hath not regarded it, therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith to Draw up a Condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas there was a complaint brought to this meeting against William Wood the son of William Wood concerning his management about

1736 a parcel of goats that he sold to David Stafford which is referred.

John Tucker James Barker Adam Mott Elisha Wing and Isaac Smith are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next, and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 5th month 1736

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester none appeared.

John Howland and Abraham Tucker make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into William Bowdish's Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

William Bowdish and Mary Hart appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And John Howland and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage Consummated, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the paper that Samuel Howland sent in to the Last monthly meeting hath been read in this meeting and Friends find freedom to accept of it for Satisfaction.

And Barnabas Chase his Condemnation was brought to this meeting and it is referred to the Quarterly meeting, whether such Condemnations ought to be read publicly, or only in the monthly meeting.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it and Drawn an Epistle to ye same.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 6th month 1736

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

John Howland and Abraham Tucker make report to this meeting that William Bowdish's and Mary Hart's marriage was Consummated in the good order of truth.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 7th month 1736
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester none appeared.
There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends 2-00-06

Subscription for Tiverton Mtg House

The money which Friends have subscribed towards building of Tiverton meeting House was brought in to this meeting in order to be sent by the representatives to ye Quarterly meeting

Books of Moses West

And this meeting agrees to take an hundred books, written originally by Moses West, which the Quarterly meeting are about to get reprinted.

And John Tucker Adam Mott James Barker and John Howland are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and to draw an Epistle to the Same.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first sixth day in next month

This meeting being met according to adjournment this first day of ye 8th month 1736

We received accounts from the visitors of Aponeganset and Acoaxet that they have visited the families of friends in a pretty general way.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 8th month 1736
The several meetings thereto belonging called-
For Dartmouth John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester none appeared.
The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, and Drawn an Epistle to ye Same.

Recompense Kirby and Rebecca Cornell have laid their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And Jedediah Allen and John Russell are appointed to make inspection into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Barnabas Chase his condemnation was read at this meeting, and John Tucker hath signed it in the behalf of this meeting, and John Tucker is ordered to read it or Cause it to be read at the end of ye meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 9th month 1736
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon

1736 For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.
For Rochester none appeared.

John Russell makes report to this meeting, that he hath made inquiry into the clearness and conversation of Recompense Kirby and finds nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Barnabas Chase his condemnation hath not been read according to the order of ye last monthly meeting — John Tucker is still continued to see it done between this and the next monthly meeting.

Recompense Kirby and Rebecca Cornell appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the prosecution thereof.

And John Russell and Holder Slocum are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the said good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 10th month 1736
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth James Barker and John Howland present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

John Russell and Holder Slocum give this meeting an account that Recompense Kirby's and Rebecca Cornell's marriage was solemnized in the good order of Truth according to their judgement.

Job Howland and Naomi Chase Did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were Desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to inspect into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 1 pound 9 shillings and 6d

And Barnabas Chase his condemnation hath been read according to order and is as followeth —

Whereas Barnabas Chase the son of Nathaniel Chase and Abigail his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol, in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that hath been under the care of friends, yet has for several years past gone contrary to the good orders Established amongst us the people called Quakers both in habit and conversation, and hath been labored with in love in order to bring him to something of a conformity, but insterd of taking up with such wholesome counsel that hath from time to time been given him, he hath rather grown more obstinate and hath of late fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication for which scandalous action with the rest of his outgoings we can do no less for the Clearing of the Blessed Truth and the Testimony thereof, but give forth this as a public Testimony against such things, and them that are found in the practice thereof, and Do deny him the said Barnabas Chase to be one in unity with us, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sight of this with all other his outgoings and find mercy with the Lord

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 8th month 1736 and signed by order of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

The business of Rochester is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay one pound eleven shillings to Isaac Smith for recording the monthly meeting minutes.

And also to pay to the overseers 3 pounds for keeping the meeting House the half year past, which he forthwith paid.

And we received twenty shillings of ye women, which was delivered to the Treasurer.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Elisha Wing James Barker Thomas Smith and Joseph Tucker.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 11th month 1736/7

—— The several meetings thereto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present.
For Rochester none appeared.

The Friends that were appointed to inquire into Job Howland's Clearneſs respecting marriage and Conversation give an account to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Job Howland and Naomi Chase appeared at this meeting desiring an answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

—— And John Howland and John Lapham are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Tripp and Abigail Wait appeared at this Signifying their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And William Wood and Robert Tripp are appointed to inquire into Joseph Tripp's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Nicholas Davis is appointed to advise the Elders of Rochester meeting that they render an account of matters to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

1736 have all attended it but Thomas Smith, and there was an Epistle drawn and sent.

And we received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read at this meeting and well accepted

And John Tucker Jabez Barker and James Barker are appointed to assist the women in their orderly proceeding against Meribah Sherman now wife of John Roan and Elisabeth Mosher daughter of Joseph Mosher for their Disorderly marrying.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 12th month 1736/7

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-

For Dartmouth John Howland present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing and John Wing present.

John Lapham and John Howland give this meeting an account that Job Howland's and Naomi Chase's marriage was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Joseph Tripp's Clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in his intended marriage.

And Joseph Tripp and Abigail Wait appeared at this desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And William Wood and Robert Tripp are appointed to see their marriage solemnized and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tripp hath desired leave of this meeting to accomplish his marriage at a week day meeting appointed for worship, which is granted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the first month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-

For Dartmouth James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.

Rochester meeting called John Wing present.

William Wood gives this meeting an account that the marriag of Joseph Tripp and Abigail Wait was consummated in the good order of truth.

This meeting hath received an account from Rochester which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting 2-06-06.

There was considerable of agitation at this meeting concerning Thomas Smith's asserting that Henry Tucker was a false man, and said Tucker was at this meeting and doth assert that he is clear of said charge, therefore it is the judgement of this meeting that said Smith should make out his charge or else to condemn his asserting of it.

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths' meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this first day of the 2nd month 1737.

Wm Randall and wife rec'd as member

It was concluded at this meeting in consideration of the papers that William Randall and his wife sent in to the monthly meeting in the 12th month 1735 and of the good report concerning them since that they should be received under our care according to their request.

The visitors of Aponeganset and Acoaxet have given in their accounts of their service in that affair.

John Tucker Elisha Wing and James Barker are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting, and Draw an Epistle to the same.

And there was an account brought to this meeting by John Lapham that he hath done several services for the meeting by order of ye overseers, as much as comes to two and twenty shillings and this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay it, out of the stock.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 2nd month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth Isaac Howland and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

And Meribah Sherman now wife of John Roan her condemnation was read at this meeting and is as followeth-

Whereas the widow Meribah Sherman having had her Education among friends and formerly having been married amongst them having of late contrary to the good advice of Friends, gone and married out of the Good order Established amongst the people called Quakers for which with her other outgoings we the said people do deny the said Meribah now the wife of John Roan to be one in unity with us the people called Quakers, Desiring that she may come to a sense of her outgoings and find mercy with the Lord.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And the matter concerning Thomas Smith and Henry Tucker is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott hath paid one pound two shillings to John Lapham as appointed.

1737 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 3rd month 1737.

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth Adam Mott and John Howland present.
Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing present.

David Stafford son of Josiah Stafford of Tiverton and Lydia Davol did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

There were two papers from Rochester presented to this meeting one from Aaron Griffith and his wife and one from Simon Hathaway and his wife acknowledging their outgoings, which are referred for further consideration.

And whereas there has been considerable of agitation in this meeting concerning William Wood the son of William Wood his case and it was unanimously concluded at this meeting to refer the whole matter to a committee to judge and Determine the matter.

The Committee agreed upon are Samuel Aldrich William Anthony and John Earle.

And Barnabas Howland Peleg Smith and Isaac Smith are appointed to represent the monthly meeting to give the Committee a right information how things have been carried on in the matter.

And the friends appointed to see into the matter relating to Thomas Smith and Henry Tucker have brought in their Judgement which is as followeth,

We the subscribers have taken the matter Left to us into Due Consideration, and we do not find the Charge that Thomas Smith Expressed against Henry Tucker to be fully proved but it evidently appears that Henry Tucker did greatly Equivocate in his answer to John Akin at the Town meeting.

Benjamin Allen James Sherman George Soule
Peleg Huttlestone Robert Tripp.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 4th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester

David Stafford not coming for his answer at this meeting it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tripp and Robert Tripp are appointed to make inspection into his clearness, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to Judge and Determine the matter between the monthly meeting and William Wood have sent in their Judgement which is as followeth–

We the Committee, in pursuance of Dartmouth monthly Meeting's request, have met on the account and heard the allegations on both Sides Respecting a parcel of goats that he, William Wood sold to David Stafford and Timothy Ricketson, and weightily Considera the matter, and pressing the Case very close upon said Wood that so he Seemed to be Smitten in his own Conscience and therfor he has given a paper of Condemnation which we here Inclose for your meeting, and also we appoint the Bearer hereof, Isaac Smith to read said paper at the next first day meeting after your monthly meeting, And this is what we the said Committee have Determined for friends' satisfaction in that Case as abovesaid.

Newport Rhode Island the 11th of ye 4th month 1737

Samuel Aldrich William Anthony
John Earle

The visitors that served the last year for Aponeganset are appointed to stand for that service the ensuing year.

And also the same for Acushnet that served the last year.

And Joseph Tripp Jonathan Wood and Peleg Huttlestone are appointed visitors for Acoaxet.

And for Rochester Elisha Wing and John Wing.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Elisha Wing and John Howland.

London Epistle The Epistle from the Yearly meeting held in London in the year 1736 was read at this meeting and it is the mind of this meeting that said Epistle should be read at a first day meeting between this and the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 2-09-05

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 5th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging Called upon—
For Dartmouth John Howland and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester none appeared

The Friends that were appointed to inspect into David Staffords clearness have done it and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage, and also said Stafford producing a certificate from Rhode Island monthly meeting.

And David Stafford and Lydia Davol appeared at this meeting desiring an answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And Joseph Tripp and Robert Tripp are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Smith hath read William Wood's paper according to order which is as followeth—

1737 Whereas I William Wood of Dartmouth Son of William Wood for want of a watchful care have brought a Scandalous reproach upon myself, the Holy Truth and Friends, that is, in not keeping fully to my words and Contracts with David Stafford and Timothy Ricketson in a parcel of Goats with the said Stafford and Ricketson as aforesaid which I am sorry for and Desire my well wishing friends may find freedom to pass this my offense to them by and that I may be more careful for the time to Come to give the like occasion.

William Wood Junr.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Have attended it and Drawn an Epistle to the Same.

Letter to the
olonial Governor

And this meeting hath ordered that a letter be sent down to the Governor in order to let him know the Difficult Circumstance that we lie under by reason of our Justices not giving us our engagements according to the Indulgence as in times past. And John Tucker is ordered to do it and sign it in behalf of the monthly meeting.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And Thomas Smith hath signified to this meeting that he is sorry that there has been so much discourse in the matter relating to Henry Tucker and himself and hopes that he shall be more careful for the time to Come.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 6th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth John Lapham and Isaac Howland present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

The Friends appointed to see David Stafford's and Lydia Devol's marriage Consummated give this meeting an account that it was accomplished in good order according to their judgement.

There was a Condemnation brought to this meeting and Signed by order of said meeting by John Tucker against Elisabeth Mosher Daughter of Joseph Mosher, and John Tucker is appointed to read it or cause it to be read on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship at Aponeganset meeting House between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker hath sent in a paper to this meeting Condemning his unwarrantable Discourse at a Town meeting Expressing his sorrow for the same, and it is the mind of this meeting that he should read it or get somebody to do it at the end of a meeting of worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott is ordered to pay 3 pounds and ten shillings to the overseers for half a years keeping the meeting House, which he forthwith paid.

At a monthly meeting of Friends Held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 7th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth James Barker and John Howland present.

For Rochester John Wing present.

And Elisabeth Mosher now the wife of Josiah Allen her Condemnation hath been read according to the order of the Last monthly meeting and is as followeth –

not recorded

And there was collected at this meeting for the use of friends 1-19-00

And the paper that Henry Tucker sent in hath been read according to order.

The visitors of Aponeganset and Acoaxet have given in their accounts to this meeting of their proceedings on the account of visiting

And Benjamin Wing and Experience Benson of Rochester have laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to inquire into their clearness as to marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting, and also to see that things are clear concerning the widow's child, that it be not wronged by her Second marriage

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker James Barker and John Howland and to draw an Epistle to the Same.

The visitors of Rochester and Acushnet have not done anything in reference to visiting Friends families, and they are advised to perform their Service upon that account and bring in the account soon as may be with Conveniency.

1737 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 8th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth Joseph Russell and James Barker present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing and John Wing present.

And Benjamin Wing and Experience Benson appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And Elisha Wing and Savory Clifton are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Smith and Elisabeth Davis laid their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Joseph Tucker and John Howland are appointed to inquire into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

John Tucker and John Howland have attended the Quarterly meeting, and Drawn an Epistle to ye same.
The Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 9th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

We have received an account from Rochester that Benjamin Wing's and Experience Benson's marriage was Consummated in the good order of truth.

John Howland and Joseph Tucker give this meeting an account that they have made inspection into Joseph Smith's Clearness as to marriage and Conversation and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

And Joseph Smith and Elisabeth Davis appeared at this meeting desiring their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Taber and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Barker and Rebecca Smith did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of y^{e} 10th month 1737

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon
For Dartmouth James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.
Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing present.

Joseph Taber and Isaac Smith give this meeting an account that Joseph Smith's and Elisabeth Davis' marriage was orderly performed.

And Joseph Barker and Rebecca Smith appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Seth Sherman and Ruth Lapham did lay their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Russell and Isaac Howland are appointed to see into y^{e} young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Reuben Devoll and Mary Nickelson did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Russell and Robert Tripp are appointed to see into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the visitors of Rochester and Acushnet have given in their accounts of their visiting friends families to this meeting.

There was Collected at this meeting 3--00--09
And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers five pounds and four Shillings, for half a year's keeping the meeting House, and for some work done about the House.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed overseers to the meeting House for the year ensuing.

We received of the women twenty shillings which went into the Stock,

And Adam Mott hath paid the $\overset{£}{5}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{00}$ according to order.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Elisha Wing James Barker John Howland and Joseph Tucker, and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

1737 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 11th month 1737/8

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester none appeared.

The Friends that were appointed to inquire into Seth Sherman's clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage

And also the friends appointed to inspect into Reuben Devoll's Clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage

And Reuben Devoll and Mary Ricketson appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And John Russell and John Lapham are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the abovesaid order, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Seth Sherman and Ruth Lapham appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the Good order of Truth in the accomplishing of it.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the said Good order, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Benjamin Russell the son of Jonathan Russell and Hannah Allen the Daughter of John Allen did say their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see into the young man's Clearness as to marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Tucker gives this meeting an account that the marriage of Joseph Barker and Rebecca Smith was performed in the good order of truth as far as he saw.

The friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, all except John Tucker, and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And whereas James Russell hath signified to this meeting that his son James has set up his publishment against his consent and contrary to the order Established amongst Friends, therefore Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to talk with his son to know the reason of his disorder, and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Reuben Devoll and Seth Sherman have desired leave to solemnize their marriage at a week day meeting for worship, which is granted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 12th month 1737/8

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon

For Dartmouth Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present.

For Rochester none appeared.

Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into Benjamin Russell's clearness, and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted And Benjamin Russell and Hannah Allen appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the good order of truth, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith give this meeting an account that they were at Seth Sherman's and Ruth Lapham's marriage, and saw nothing but that it was solemnized in the good order of truth.

And John Russell and John Lapham also signify that Reuben Devoll's and Mary Ricketson's marriage was accomplished in good order.

And whereas there is a report that Abraham Tucker the son of Henry Tucker is guilty of being the father of Ruth Slocum's child and he not clearing himself to Friends' satisfaction it is the mind of this meeting that he remain under Dealing.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the first month 1738

Dartmouth meeting called - Isaac Howland and Gorge Soule present.

The Friends that were appointed to see Benjamin Russell's and Hannah Allen's marriage solemnized make report to this meeting that it was accomplished in good order according to their judgement.

And Jacob Sherman and Margaret Prance were at this meeting and laid their intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Lapham and Isaac Howland are appointed to inspect into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this first day of the 2nd month 1738

An account of visiting friends families both of Acoaxet and Aponeganset was presented to this meeting.

John Tucker William Wood and James Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and to draw an Epistle to the same.

1738 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 2nd month 1738

Dartmouth meeting called; Joseph Tucker present

Rochester meeting called; Nicholas Davis present.

The Friends that were appointed to inquire into Jacob Sherman's Clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Jacob Sherman and Margaret Prance appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And John Lapham and Isaac Howland are appointed to see their marriage consummated, and make return to the next monthly meeting

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, all except James Barker, and Drawn an Epistle to the Same according to order.

And Jacob Sherman hath desired leave to Solemnize his marriage at a week day meeting for worship, which is granted.

And whereas she that was the widow of Edward Wing hath brought a Scandal upon herself and the blessed Truth by having a child so soon after her second marriage, Therefore Eliashib Smith and Joseph Tucker are appointed to go with the women to see what she can do towards making satisfaction.

And there was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{02}$-$\overset{d}{09}$

And John Howland is appointed to get the books, written originally by Moses West.

And whereas there is a scandalous report of Abraham Thomas concerning his being the Father of a bastard child, therefore John Russell and George Soule are appointed to inquire into said report, and if they are sensible that it is true to give advice as they may think most proper in that case, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 3rd month 1738

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –

For Dartmouth James Barker and John Howland present.

For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

John Allen the son of Ebenezer Allen and Margaret Soule did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Robert Kirby and John Russell are appointed to inquire into the young man's Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation, and make return to the next monthly meeting

And Joseph Havens and Rebecca Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to make inspection into the young man's clearness, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

John Lapham and Isaac Howland give this meeting an account that Jacob Sherman's marriage was consummated in the Good order of Truth according to their judgement.

And Patience Wood formerly widow of Edward Wing hath sent in a paper to this meeting, Signifying her sorrow for her outgoings and it is the mind of this meeting that she should take it and get somebody to read it, she being present at the end of the meeting of worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And the friends that were appointed to speak with Abraham Thomas are still continued to speak with him and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 4th month 1738

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and James Barker present.

Rochester meeting called - Nicholas Davis present.

Robert Kirby gives this meeting an account that he hath not heard anything but that John Allen is clear in relation to marriage and conversation.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker give this meeting an account that they have inquired into Joseph Haven's clearness and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And John Allen and Margaret Soule appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And John Russell and Robert Kirby are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the said good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Havens and Rebecca Russell appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the abovesaid good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

London Epistle.

The Epistle from the Yearly meeting at London

1738 bearing date 1737 was read at this meeting to our good Satisfaction
And the widow Elisabeth Fripp being about to remove to Rhode Island to live, desires a few lines by way of certificate from our monthly meeting, therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The visitors chosen for this year are
For Acoaxet William Wood and Christopher Gifford.
And for Aponeganset Jedediah Allen Abraham Tucker Peleg Huttlestone and Peleg Smith.
And for Acushnet Jacob Taber and Jonathan Taber.
And for Rochester Elisha Wing and John Wing.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Elisha Wing James Barker and Joseph Tucker and to Draw an Epistle to the Same.

There was collected at this meeting for friends use 1-17-09
And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay the overseers 3 pounds and 10 Shillings for the Last half years keeping the meeting House.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 5th month 1738
The several meetings thereof called upon—
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and John Lapham present.
For Rochester John Wing present.

And John Russell gives this meeting an account that the marriage of John Allen and Margaret Soule was Solemnized in good order according to his judgement.

And Abraham Tucker gives this meeting an account that Joseph Havens his marriage was carried on and accomplished in the good order of Truth according to his Judgement.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it all but Joseph Tucker, and drawn an Epistle to the Same as appointed.

And Joseph Taber hath Signified to this meeting that he desires a certificate of his clearness relating to marriage and conversation.

And Joseph Russell junr and Benjamin Allen are appointed to inquire into the matter, and if they find things clear, to draw one and present it to ye next monthly meeting.

And Patience Wood's paper hath been read as ordered.
There was a certificate Signed at this meeting for Elisabeth Fripp, and Jabez Barker is appointed to draw a Certificate for William Lake.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 6th month 1738
The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth John Howland and John Lapham present.
For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell doth signify to this meeting that they have inquired into Joseph Tabers clearness as appointed and find nothing but that he is clear, and there was a certificate signed at this meeting for him.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for William Lake and his wife.
And Jonathan Taber hath signified to this meeting that he is not free to serve as a visitor, therefore this meeting appoints Nicholas Davis in his room.

And Benjamin Wing hath signified to this meeting that he desires a certificate of his clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and Jedediah Allen to make inquiry into the matter, and if they find things clear to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 7th month 1738

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester none appeared.

William Ricketson the son of William Ricketson and Hannah Russell the daughter of Benjamin Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Jedediah Allen and Isaac Smith are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Benjamin Wing.
And there was collected at this meeting for the use of friends 2 pounds 1 shilling and 3 pence.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in the 8th month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of the 8th month 1738

The visitors belonging to this meeting have in a general way given in their accounts of their service in visiting Friends families and signify that that they met with pretty good satisfaction for the most part.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Tucker Eliashib Smith and James Barker, and to draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 8th month 1738

The several meetings thereunto belonging called upon-
For Dartmouth James Barker and Joseph Tucker present.
For Rochester Gideon Gifford present.

The Friends that were appointed to inquire into William Ricketson's clearness respecting marriage and conversation give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it and drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

1738 And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

William Ricketson and Hannah Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some Convenient time betwen this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth In the performance thereof.

And Adam Mott and Jedediah Allen are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the abovesaid good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 9th month 1738
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth Adam Mott and James Barker present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And whereas Jacob Sherman and his wife are about to move to the Woods to live, he desires a few lines by way of Certificate to the monthly meeting where he is likely to belong.

And Abraham Barker the son of James Barker, being a seafaring man also desires a Certificate,

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to Draw up Certificates for them both and bring them to the next monthly meeting.

And the visitors have brought an account to this meeting that John Slocum being about to marry out of the order Established amongst us, and that he doth Signify them that he intends to proceed and Doth not seem to incline to come orderly.

And Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker are appointed to Labor further with him, and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 10th month 1738
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth James Barker and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of friends 1-16-3

The Friends that were appointed to Discourse with John Slocum have done it and do not find that he gives any encouragement to marry amongst us, and the matter is referred till the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Elisha Wing Adam Mott John Howland and Abraham Tucker, and to draw an Epistle to ye same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th of ye 11th month 1738

This meeting being called — John Howland and Isaac Howland present.

Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing present.

There was 20 shillings given by the women towards keeping the meeting House.

And Stephen Peckham and Keturah Arthur did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Joseph Russell Junr. and Benjamin Allen are appointed to make inspection into his clearness as to marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At the request of James Barker the matter concerning John Slocum is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 12th month 1738/9

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester none appeared.

And there hath been inquiry made concerning Stephen Peckham's clearness and the report is that they find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

Leicester mtg House

And agreeable to the Directions of the Quarterly meeting we have concluded to come to a Subscription of 7 pounds towards the building of Leicester meeting House.

Stephen Peckham and Keturah Arthur appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the Good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And Joseph Russell and Benjamin Allen are appointed to see their marriage consummated, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a paper presented to this meeting from John Slocum, but friends are of the mind that it doth not reach the matter in full, therefore John Tucker and James Barker are appointed to Discourse further with him.

The matter concerning John Russell's allowing his daughter in his house out of the order of friends is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the first month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon —
For Dartmouth Henry Tucker present, For Rochester none appeared.

Collected at this meeting for the use of friends 1-16-09

1739 Joseph Russell and Benjamin Allen give this meeting an account that Stephen Peckham's and Keturah Arthur's marriage was consummated in good order according to their Judgement.

John Cornell hath signified to this meeting that he desires that he and his children may be under the care of Friends for the time to come.

There hath been some discourse at this meeting concerning his suffering his Daughter to be married out of the order of Friends, and he seems to justify the matter, Therefore this meeting appoints John Howland and John Tucker to discourse further with him,

And whereas Abraham Tucker the son of Henry Tucker Having been under dealing for some time and hath done nothing to make friends satisfaction, it is the mind of this meeting that John Howland should acquaint him that if he doth not do something in order to make satisfaction that a condemnation must go forth against him,

And this meeting is adjourned till the 28th day of this Instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 28th day of the first month 1739

The visitors of Acoaxet and Aponeganset have given in their account that they have visited Friends families under their care and find things pretty well for ye most part.

And this meeting is adjourned till the 6th day of the 2nd month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of the 2nd month 1739

The matter concerning John Slocum and Abigail Wilbur is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Abraham Tucker the son of Henry Tucker hath for some time past been under a scandalous report of being the father of a Bastard Child and been under dealing some considerable time, and he no ways clearing himself to Friends satisfaction, it is the mind of this meeting that John Tucker should Draw up a condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Thomas not having made satisfaction concerning the scandalous report that was about him, this meeting appoints George Soule and Peleg Huttlestone to desire him to appear at the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and draw an Epistle to the same are John Tucker William Wood and John Howland.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 2nd month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –

For Dartmouth Joseph Russell and Isaac Howland present.

For Rochester none appeared.

Robert Hall of North Kingston and Isabel Sherman the Daughter of Daniel Sherman deceased Did lay their intentions of Taking Each other in marriage before this meeting, and were Desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Potter of Providence and Hannah Barker did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

The matter concerning John Slocum is referred till the next monthly meeting. Abigail Wilbor hath sent in a paper to this meeting condemning her outgoings, which this meeting accepts, and orders that she should read it or get somebody to read it at the end of the meeting of worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting she being present.

And there was a condemnation presented to this meeting against Abraham Tucker the son of Henry Tucker which this meeting hath considered, and John Tucker hath signed it by order of this meeting, and John Tucker is ordered to read it or cause it to be read on a first day after the meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Thomas was at this meeting and Desires that Friends would wait a month longer, and signifies that he hopes he shall Draw up something that may make satisfaction.

And John Tucker and John Howland have attended the Quarterly meeting, and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And we received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read to good satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 3rd month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and John Howland present.
For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

Robert Hall and Izabel Sherman appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And Joseph Russell and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in said good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Potter and Hannah Barker appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And Eliashib Smith and John Howland are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

1739 And Abigail Wilbor's paper not having been read it is Desired that it might be done between this and the next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning John Slocum is referred till the next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning Abraham Thomas is referred.
And whereas Benjamin Tucker hath desired a Certificate of his clearness as to marriage and Conversation, this meeting appoints Benjamin Allen and John Howland to make inquiry into his Clearness, and to Draw one and bring to the next monthly meeting if they think proper.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 4th month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging Called upon-
For Dartmouth John Howland and Joseph Tucker present.
For Rochester none appeared by appointment.

Abraham Stafford the Son of Josiah Stafford of Tiverton and Ruth Wood the Daughter of William Wood of Dartmouth did Lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

Joseph Russell and Adam Mott give this meeting an account that Robert Hall's and Isabel Sherman's marriage was Consummated in the good order of Truth as far as they Saw.

Eliashib Smith and John Howland give this meeting an account that John Potter's and Hannah Barker's marriage was Consummated in the good order of Truth according to their Judgement.

And Abraham Tucker's Condemnation hath been read, and is as followeth—

Whereas Abraham Tucker the Son of Henry Tucker of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England hath been brought up amongst Friends the People called Quakers but of late hath been accused to be the Father of a bastard child and not Clearing himself of said accusation to the satisfaction of Friends, Therefore this meeting is Concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against him the said Abraham Tucker Denying him to be one in unity with us the people Called Quakers, yet Desiring that he may Come to a sight and sense of his outgoings and to a true and unfeigned Repentance.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 2nd month 1739

Signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by John Tucker Clerk.

The matter concerning Abigail Wilbor and John Slocum is referred to the next monthly meeting.

London Epistle. The Epistle from the Yearly meeting in London bearing date 1738 was read at this meeting to good Satisfaction.

The visitors Chosen for this year are

For Aponeganset Peleg Smith Abraham Tucker John Howland and James Barker,
And for Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford Jun^r.
For Rochester Elisha Wing and Savory Clifton
And for Acushnet Jacob Taber and Benjamin Allen.
And this meeting hath given Benjamin Tucker a certificate.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 5th month 1739
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

And Abraham Stafford and Ruth Wood not appearing at this meeting for their answer it is referred till the next monthly meeting.

And the paper that Abigail Wilbor sent in not being read it is still referred.

And whereas John Wing the son of John Wing and Hannah Gifford the Daughter of Gideon Gifford of Rochester being near in relation one to the other have proceeded in marriage contrary to the good order Established among us, and also to the wholesome advice of their parents and Friends given them in that affair, it is the conclusion of this meeting that a condemnation should go forth against them, and Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And John Wing is added to Elisha Wing and Savory Clifton to serve as a visitor for ye year ensuing.

Friends imprisoned on Truth's account

And whereas our Friends Robert Mosher and John Mosher and Joseph Brownell being now under confinement upon Truth's account, this meeting appoints Joseph Tripp and Nathaniel Potter to see concerning them and their families' circumstances that they do not suffer too much and to be assisting in that affair and bring in their accounts to the monthly meeting.

And there was 1-04-0 overplus concerning some subscription that hath been made, which is ordered to be received into the Stock.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay the overseers the sum of 3 pounds and 10 shillings for half a years keeping the meeting House.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 6th month 1739
The several meetings thereto belonging called upon.
For Dartmouth Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester Elisha Wing present.

Abraham Stafford and Ruth Wood appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

1739 And Joseph Fripp and Christopher Gifford are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the aforesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The paper that Abigail Wilbor sent in hath been read and is as followeth,—

To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth

I am sorry for my outgoings in Breaking the good order of Friends, I hope the Lord will forgive me and that Friends would pass it by and receive me under their care.

It was not the little Esteem that I had of Friends that caused me to Leave them. Abigail Wilbor.

And the matter concerning Abraham Thomas is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning John Russell's suffering his daughter to be married out of the order of friends is referred to the consideration of ye Quarterly meeting.

And Adam Mott hath paid 3 pounds and 10 shillings to the overseers as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 7th month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth Benjamin Allen and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

Joseph Fripp and Christopher Gifford give this meeting an account that they were at the solemnizing of the marriage of Abraham Stafford and Ruth Wood, and saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

William Russell and Elisabeth Wilbor did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith are appointed to inquire into William Russell's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Taber the son of Joseph Taber and Mary Tinkham the Daughter of John Tinkham did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell are appointed to see into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 1-15-03

The visitors of Rochester and Acoaxet have given in their accounts of their service in visiting friends families.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of the 8th month 1739

The visitors of Acushnet have given in their account that they have in a general way visited the families of friends under their care and find things in a general way pretty well.

And the visitors of Aponeganset have given in their accounts that they have been in the service of visiting friends families and find things for the most part pretty well as far as they saw.

There was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Abraham Thomas, and John Tucker is appointed to see that it be read at the End of the meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Brownell Robert Mosher and John Mosher have given in an account in writing of their discharge from prison.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 8th month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon –
For Dartmouth Benjamin Allen and Isaac Howland present.
For Rochester John Wing present.

Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

And Joseph Russell and Benjamin Allen make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into the clearness of Joseph Taber Junr. and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And William Russell and Elisabeth Wilbur appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And Jedediah Allen and Holder Slocum are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Taber and Mary Tinkham appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof. –

And Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, according to the order of the last monthly meeting.

And Abraham Thomas' condemnation hath been read and is as followeth –

Whereas Abraham Thomas of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England being one that hath had his Education

1739 amongst us The People Called Quakers yet for want of an upright and Circumspect walking hath gone from his Education into many things which are not Consistent with our holy profession and also hath been accused with Committing the scandalous sin of Fornication, which he no ways clearing himself from and Friends have long waited and labored with him in order to bring him to a sight and sense of his outgoings but as yet nothing doth appear as effectual in that respect, therefore it is thought best for the clearing of the Truth from such Enormities and those that are found in them to give this forth as a public testimony against it Denying him the said Abraham Thomas to be one in unity with us the aforesaid people, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sight and sense of his outgoings and to unfeigned Repentance,

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment on the 5th day of the 8th month 1739 and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by

John Tucker Clerk.

And John Wing's and his wife's Condemnation hath been read as appointed,—

Whereas John Wing the son of John Wing and Hannah Gifford Daughter of Gideon Gifford both of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England being Educated in the way of Truth their Parents professing to be of us the people Called Quakers yet for want of keeping to their and a true Circumspect walking have gone out of unity with us and taken each other in marriage in the common way of other people, they being also nearer in relation to each other than is allowed to marry amongst us, For which disorderly proceeding Contrary to the advice of their Parents and other friends that were concerned for their good, we can do no less than give this forth as a public Testimony against them Denying the said John Wing and Hannah his wife to be now in unity with us the people Called Quakers yet truly desiring that they may come to a sight of all their outgoings and to unfeigned Repentance.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 6th month 1739 and
Signed by order of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, and Drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And the matter between this meeting and John Russell was made up at the Quarterly meeting to this meeting's satisfaction.

And whereas James Russell the son of James Russell hath gone out of the way of friends in his marriage Contrary to his Father's Consent this meeting appoints Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith to discourse with him to see whether he hath any mind to make satisfaction.

And John Slocum not having done anything to friends satisfaction for the Disorders that he hath been in, Holder Slocum is ordered to let him know that if he doth not do something further, Judgement must go forth against him.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 9th month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth none appeared by appointment.
For Rochester Nicholas Davis present.

Jedediah Allen and Holder Slocum give this meeting an account that William Russell's and Elizabeth Wilbor's marriage was Consummated in the good order of Truth according to their Judgement.

Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith are continued to labor with James Russell Junr. for his outgoings.

Holder Slocum is still continued to labor with John Slocum.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 10th month 1739

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth John Howland and Adam Mott present.
None appeared for Rochester.

John Slocum hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his outgoings which hath been read, and this meeting takes up with it for satisfaction, and is as followeth—

To the monthly meeting to be held in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 10th month 1739

Dear friends

I have gone out of the good order Established in marriage, and going to training, which things I am sorry for and all other my conversation which the Testimony of truth is against that I am come to a sight of, and I do Desire that you would pass it by as far as belongs to you and that I might still remain under your care,
John Slocum.

And Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith are ordered to Draw up James Russell Jun's Condemnation if he doth nothing himself, and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of the 11th month 1739/40

Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to oversee the meeting House the year ensuing.

And Adam Mott hath paid 3 pounds 10 shillings as ordered, to the overseers.

Elisha Wing Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and Draw an Epislte to the same.

1739 There hath been considerable of Discourse at this meeting concerning the difference between the visitors of this meeting and Phebe Tucker which is referred to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 11th month 1739/40

Dartmouth meeting called - Thomas Smith and John Shepherd present.

Rochester meeting called - and none appeared.

Peleg Cornell the son of Thomas Cornell and Mary Russell daughter of Joseph Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were Desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And George Soule and Benjamin Wing were appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith not having Drawn up James Russell's condemnation are still continued to do it against the next monthly meeting.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it, and Drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

There was 20 shillings given by the women towards keeping the meeting House

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 12th month 1739/40

The several meetings thereto belonging called upon -

For Dartmouth John Howland and James Barker present.

For Rochester none appeared.

George Soule gives this meeting an account that he hath made Inquiry into Peleg Cornell's clearness and finds nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

Peleg Cornell and Mary Russell appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and were answered that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And John Howland and Benjamin Allen are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the abovesaid good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And David Smith and Jane Brown appeared at this meeting and did lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And James Barker and John Shepherd are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And James Russell Junr. hath given in a paper condemning his outgoings in respect to his marriage and going to Training which this meeting accepts of, and he to remain under our care.

And this meeting hath received a paper signed by Eunice Akin Condemning her outgoings, which this meeting orders that she should get somebody to read at the end of the meeting of worship on a first day she being present.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the first month 1740

The Several meetings thereunto belonging called upon—
For Dartmouth John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.
For Rochester Stephen Wing present.

James Barker and John Shepherd make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into David Smith's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in his intended marriage.

And the Friends appointed to see Peleg Cornell's marriage Consummated give this meeting an account that it was orderly Carried on.

David Smith and Jane Brown appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing ye good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And John Howland and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And George Allen and Rachel Smith did lay their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Joseph Russell and Joseph Taber are appointed to see into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

There was Collected at this meeting for ye use of friends 2-00-07

And whereas there hath been a difference between this meeting and Phebe Tucker, this meeting appoints Nicholas Davis John Howland Jonathan Wood Barnabas Howland and Isaac Smith a Committee with the women to hear and Determine the matter and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths' meeting.

On the 4th day of ye 2nd month 1740 Friends met according to adjournment.

Benjamin Tripp son of Joseph Tripp hath signified to this meeting that he hath an intention of marriage with Martha Luther of Swansey and desires a Certificate, therefore this meeting appoints Christopher Gifford and Peleg Huttlestone to inquire into his Clearness as to marriage and Conversation and draw a Certificate if they find nothing to hinder.

1740 And this meeting appoints John Tucker John Howland John Lapham and James Barker to attend the Quarterly meeting, and Draw an Epistle to the Same.

The visitors belonging to Acoaxet and Aponeganset have brought in their accounts of visiting to pretty good Satisfaction for the most part.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 2nd month 1740
Dartmouth meeting Called John Howland and Adam Mott present.
For Rochester John Wing present.

Friends having inquired into George Allen's Clearness, find nothing to hinder his intended marriage with Rachel Smith.

And George Allen and Rachel Smith appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly mtg.

The Friends that were appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and Draw the Epistle have done it according to order.

And whereas Benjamin Tripp desired a Certificate, and Friends Having made inquiry and find nothing to Hinder have granted the Same.

And William Hart and Mary Shepherd did lay their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness as to marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting appoints John Tucker and Isaac Howland to Labor with Eleazer Smith for his disorder.

John Howland and Isaac Smith make report to this meeting that David Smith's and Jane Brown's marriage was orderly carried on.

The Committee nominated to hear and Determine Phebe Tucker's Case have taken up for Satisfaction a Paper of Acknowledgement Signed by the Said Phebe Tucker, and hath appointed Joseph Tucker to read it publicly on a First day after the meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 3rd month 1740
Dartmouth meeting called - John Howland and Adam Mott present.
Rochester meeting Called - and none appeared.

Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker make report to this meeting that George Allen's marriage was carried on in good order.

The Friends that were appointed to inquire into William Hart's Clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

William Hart and Mary Shepherd appeared at this meeting for their answer relating to their taking each other in marriage, and they had their answer that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to see their marriage Solemnized and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tripp and Judith Mosher did lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting.

And Jonathan Wood and Benjamin Sherman are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Eleazer Smith is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Phebe Tucker's paper of acknowledgement hath been read according to order and is as followeth -

To the monthly meeting of Friends in Dartmouth -
Well Esteemed Friends

Whereas my management in that affair of Ruth Slocum's as it hath been resented hath caused a great uneasiness amongst Friends, I do acknowledge that it was not so proper as it ought to have been and in particular that of offering her forty pounds more than her Legacy, which hath proved of a bad consequence, and I Do acknowledge that my conduct in the affair hath brough a dishonor to the Truth, which I do hereby Condemn and am sorry for it, and hope to be more careful for the time to come. Phebe Tucker.

Dated in Dartmouth the 4th day of 2nd month 1740

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 23rd Day of the 4th month 1740

This meeting being called - Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott appeared for Dartmouth. -- For Rochester none appeared.

Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott give this meeting an account that William Hart's marriage was accomplished in good order.

And Jonathan Wood and Benjamin Sherman make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into Joseph Tripp's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

Joseph Tucker and Simeon Gifford are appointed to inquire into Lot Tripp's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and if they find things clear to Draw up something for him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Tripp and Judith Mosher appeared at this meeting Desiring an answer as to their taking Each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order

1740 of Truth in the performance thereof.

And James Sherman and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage solemnized, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

London Epistle The Epistle from the Yearly meeting held in London in the year 1739 was read at this meeting to good Satisfaction.

And Eleazer Smith and his wife have given in a paper to this meeting condemning their outgoings which this meeting accepts, and orders that they read it or get somebody to do it on a first day at the end of a meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{00}$

The matter concerning choosing an Elder for Acoaxet meeting to assist William Wood is referred to the consideration of y^e next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders Isaac Smith to make up the meeting's accounts with Adam Mott.

And John Tucker Eliashib Smith John Howland and James Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to y^e Same.

The choice of visitors is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the overseers five pounds one Shilling for keeping the meeting House half a year and some other charges.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 5th month 1740

The Several meetings thereto belonging called upon—

For Dartmouth Isaac Howland and Adam Mott present.

For Rochester none appeared.

The Friends appointed to Draw up Lot Tripp's certificate have done it and John Tucker hath signed it by order of this meeting.

The Friends that were appointed to see Joseph Tripp's marriage consummated give an account that it was accomplished in good order according to their Judgement.

Daniel Russell and Edith Howland appeared at this meeting and Laid their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were Desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to see into the young man's clearness and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Eleazer Smith and his wife's acknowledgement hath been read according to order and is as followeth—

To the monthly meeting of Friends in Dartmouth—

Well Respected Friends

Whereas we through the subtile Insinuations of the Evil Spirit which worketh in the children of Disobedience have given way to a dishonest conversation as is manifest by our having a child in a short time after marriage which we do acknowledge to be a Scandal to the blessed Truth and a reproach to the professors thereof, acknowledging our outgoings and Condimning ourselves hoping that God will forgive us in this respect and all others wherein we have been amiss. And we Desire that you our Friends would have a watchful Care over us for the time to Come.

Eleazer Smith
Meribah Smith.

Isaac Smith is still continued to make up the accounts with the Treasurer.

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have most of them attended it, and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

The choice of visitors is referred till ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 6th month 1740

Dartmouth meeting Called - Adam Mott and Thomas Smith present.

Rochester meeting called - none appeared.

The friends that were appointed to see into Daniel Russell's Clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Isaac Smith hath made up this meeting's accounts with Adam Mott, and there remains in the stock 3-09-06.

Daniel Russell and Edith Howland appeared at this meeting for the answer relating to their taking Each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And Jedediah Allen and George Soule are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Daniel Russell desired leave of this meeting to Solemnize his marriage on a fourth day which is granted.

The visitors chosen for this year are
For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Nathaniel Potter.
And for Aponeganset Joseph Tucker Jedediah Allen Abraham Tucker Eliashib Smith Adam Mott and Peleg Smith.
And for Acushnet Benjamin Allen and Jacob Taber.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 7th month 1740

Dartmouth meeting Called - John Howland and Adam Mott present.

George Soule and Jedediah Allen give this meeting an account that Daniel Russell's marriage was managed in good order as far as they saw.

1740 Nathaniel Bowdish and Frances Lapham did say their intention of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and Abraham Tucker are appointed to inquire into Nathaniel Bowdish's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first sixth day in the eighth month next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3rd day of the 8th month 1740

The visitors of our several weekly meetings have given in their accounts of their service in that affair and they find things for the most part pretty well.

John Tucker James Barker Adam Mott and William Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 8th month 1740

This meeting being called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present

The Friends that were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have attended it some of them, and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

The Friends that were to inspect into Nathaniel Bowdish's clearness, make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his Intended marriage.

Nathaniel Bowdish and Frances Lapham appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order Established amongst friends in the accomplishing thereof.

And Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 10th month 1740

This meeting being called - Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker present.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends with money that the women gave in £2 - 11s - 0d.

This meeting appoints Adam Mott Thomas Smith Joseph Tucker and James Barker to attend the Quarterly meeting, and Draw an Epistle to the same.

Isaac Smith appd recorder. Our ancient Friend John Tucker hath requested of this meeting that Isaac Smith should be appointed in his room to record the Deaths and births of Friends, which this meeting hath Consented to and Isaac Smith is appointed for that purpose.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the glazier for glazing done about the meeting House 2-12-00 and also to pay to the overseers 3-10-00 for half a years keeping the meeting House.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed overseers of ye meeting House the year ensuing.

At a monthly meeting of Friends Held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 11th month 1740

This meeting being Called - John Howland and Adam Mott present. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting were none of them there by reason of the Difficulty of the Season

Adam Mott hath paid to the glazier $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{12}$ as ordered and $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{10}-00$ to the overseers.

There was Collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{19}-\overset{d}{06}$

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 12th month 1740

This meeting being Called - Thomas Smith present. This meeting appoints Abraham Tucker Adam Mott and Peleg Smith to Labor with Daniel Howland to Endeavor that he may Conform so as to be married among friends.

And this meeting is adjourned till the 25th day of this Instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 25th day of the 12th month 1740

Daniel Howland and Mary Slocum did lay their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to see into ye young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the first month 1741

Dartmouth meeting Called - James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.

The Friends that were appointed to see into Daniel Howland's Clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

Daniel Howland and Mary Slocum appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might

1741 proceed to take each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And Adam Mott and Jedediah Allen are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $1^{£}-06^{s}-00^{d}$

The Quarterly meeting meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And James Tripp hath sent in a paper to this meeting Signifying his Sorrow for his Disorderly marriage and Desires to Come under the care of Friends, which this meeting takes up with.

And this meeting is adjourned till the firstth day in the next month

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3rd day of the 2nd month 1741

The visitors of Acoaxet meeting have given in a Comfortable account of their Service in that affair.

Adam Mott John Howland and James Barker are appointed to attend y^{e} Quarterly meeting next and to Draw an Epistle to y^{e} Same.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of y^{e} 2nd month 1741

Dartmouth meeting called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The Friends appointed to see Daniel Howland's marriage Consummated make report to this meeting that it was performed, but not so well in all respects as they Desired.

William Gifford and Elisabeth Tripp did lay their Intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Jedediah Allen are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 3rd month 1741

This meeting is adjourned till the 27th of this instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 27th day of the 3rd month 1741

This meeting being called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The friends appointed to see into William Gifford's clearness make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into William Gifford's Clearness and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

William Gifford and Elisabeth Fripp appeared at this meeting for their answer in relation to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthkly meeting, observing the good order of Truth in the performance thereof.

And Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to see their marriage solemnized and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 22nd day of the 4th month 1741

This meeting being called - Jabez Barker and Peleg Smith present.
The Yearly meeting Epistle from London was read at this meeting to good Satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to see William Gifford's marriage consummated make report to this meeting that it was orderly accomplished.

John Tucker John Howland and James Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, and draw an Epistle to the same.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to draw a Certificate for William Russell and his wife they being removed to Oblong to live, and bring it to the next monthkly meeting.

And Adam Mott is appointed to pay to the Overseers $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{00}$ for half a years keeping the meeting House, which he hath done.

There was a paper presented to this meeting signed by Elisabeth Howland, wife of James Howland Junr. which this meeting accepts and orders that she should read the same or get somebody to do it publicly, on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship, she being present.

And whereas Thomas Akin hath as we understand taken the oath in common form which being contrary to our principles, This meeting therefore appoints John Tucker and Adam Mott to Discourse with said Akin in order to bring him to a sight of his outgoings.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 5th month 1741

This meeting being called - John Howland and Adam Mott present.

The Friends appointed have Drawn an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting, and John Howland hath attended it.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

1741 The visitors chosen for this year are – For Aponeganset Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Jedediah Allen and Peleg Smith For Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter And for Acushnet Jacob Taber and Benjamin Allen.

This meeting hath received a Certificate Signed by Friends of Sandwich concerning their unity with Elisabeth Harper and her Good conversation whilst she abode wth them Recommending her to our care, which was read to the good satisfaction of this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 6th month 1741

This meeting being called – Abraham Tucker and John Howland present. And it is referred to the consideration of the Quarterly meeting whether if any of our young Friends should go out and marry in the common way of other people, that the visitors dealing with them should be sufficient, or whether the monthly meeting proceed further in dealing with them before Denial.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 7th month 1741

This meeting being called – James Barker and Adam Mott present. Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to Inspect into the circumstances of George Soule's removal, and to Draw a Certificate if they think proper, And John Russell and Thomas Smith are added to them for that purpose, and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Eliashib Smith and Josiah Merrihew are chosen to inspect into the circumstances of Richard Smith's removal and to make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths' meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this second day of the 8th month 1741

John Tucker Joseph Russell and Adam Mott are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next, and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

The visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account of what they have done as to visiting Friends families, and that they had Generally pretty good satisfaction.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{16}-\overset{d}{03}$

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 8th month 1741

This meeting being called – John Howland and Abraham Tucker present. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it, and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for George Soule and his wife, and another for Richard Smith and his wife in order to go to the monthly meeting at Mamaroneck in the Government of New York.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 9th month 1741

This meeting being called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present. John Gifford and Bathsheba Lapham did lay their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were Desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Russell and Jedediah Allen are appointed to inquire into ye young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

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There was an Epistle read in this meeting from the Yearly meeting in Pennsylvania bearing date 1725 and there was one Paragraph recommended therein which Friends are desired Duly to Consider for the future, the thing was that if any Friend, or any under the Care of friends Should apply themselves to any that under Color of any art shall pretend to find things lost or stolen, that they should be Speedily dealt with.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our Meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 10th month 1741

This meeting being Called - Eliashib Smith and John Howland present.

The Friends appointed to Inspect into John Gifford's Clearness give this meeting an account that they have made inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceedings in his Intended marriage.

And John Gifford and Bathsheba Lapham appeared at this meeting for their answer relating to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishing thereof.

And John Russell and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage Consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting for ye use of friends the sum of £4-11s-0d with what ye women gave in.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay £3-10s-0d for the Last half year's Keeping the meeting House.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are James Barker Joseph Tucker and Adam Mott, and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

The visitors of Acushnet have given in their account of their Service

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths meeting.

1741 This meeting being met according to adjournment this first day of the 11th month 1741

Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to oversee the meeting House the year ensuing.

And Adam Mott hath paid the $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{10}$ as ordered.
The visitors of Aponeganset have given in their account that they have done Something relating to visiting friends families.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 11th month 1741

This meeting being called - Abraham Tucker and Adam Mott present.
John Russell gives this meeting an account that John Gifford's marriage was consummated in the good order of Truth as far as he could understand.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have all attended it but Adam Mott, and Drawn an Epistle to the Same.

And Silas Kirby and Elisabeth Russell did lay their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Russell and Jedediah Allen are appointed to inquire into the young man's Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 12th month 1741

This meeting being called - James Barker present.
Francis Allen and Rebecca Tucker did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And James Barker and John Howland are appointed to see into the young man's clearness as to marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Isaac Howland's Daughter Merilah hath gone out of the good order Established amongst us in Contracting marriage with one that is not under the Care of friends and her first Cousin, therefore this meeting appoints Peleg Smith and George Smith to assist the women in Laboring with her, to see if they can bring her to a sight of her outgoings.

And this meeting is adjourned till the 24th of this instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 24th of the 12th month 1741

We understand that Seth Allen hath gone out of the good order Established amongst friends in marriage, therefore this meeting appoints John Russell and Abraham Tucker to speak with him to see if he doth any ways incline to make Satisfaction, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And also Abraham Wing having committed the like offense, Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are to speak with him and bring their account to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House In Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 1st month 1742
This meeting being Called – John Howland and Thomas Smith present.

The Friends appointed to see into Silas Kirby's Clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to Hinder his proceedings in his intended marriage.

And James Barker gives this meeting an account that he hath made Inquiry into Francis Allen's Clearness and finds nothing to Hinder his intended marriage.

Silas Kirby and Elisabeth Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer relating to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Truth in the accomplishment thereof.

And Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith are appointed to see their marriage Consummated in the abovesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Francis Allen and Rebecca Tucker appeared at this meeting for their answer in Respect to their taking Each other in marriage, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of truth in the performance thereof.

And John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see it accomplished orderly and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Eliashib Smith James Barker and Joseph Tucker and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

There was Collected at this meeting for the use of Friends one pound eight Shillings and nine pence.

Abraham Tucker gives this meeting an account that they have not discoursed with Seth Allen, therefore they are Still continued to do it and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath received a paper from Abraham Wing signifying his sorrow for his disorderly marriage which this meeting thinks best to consider further of, therefore the matter is referred

And whereas David Akin being about to remove with

1742 his family to Oblong to live he Desires a Certificate, therefore this meeting appoints Isaac Howland Peleg Smith and George Smith to make inquiry into his Circumstances and Draw one accordingly if they think proper.

Unsoundness of Wm Ricketson

And whereas William Ricketson hath of Late Entertained Certain Erronious notions Contrary to our principles, this meeting appoints Benjamin Allen Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith to Labor with him in order to reclaim his Judjement in the premises and to let him know that if he will persist in the same Friends must proceed to Deny him

The visitors of Acoaxet have given in an account in writing of their Service in visiting friends families

And this meeting is adjourned till the Youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2nd Day of the 2nd month 1742

John Howland and Adam Mott are appointed with the rest that were chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the Second month 1742

This meeting being called John Howland and Thomas Smith present. Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith give this meeting an account that Silas Kirby's marriage was consummated in the good order of truth according to their Judgement.

And John Howland gives this meeting an account that he was at Francis Allen's marriage and nothing but that it was carried on in good order.

And Adam Mott hath attended the Quarterly meeting, and there was an Epistle drawn and sent

The friends appointed to Discourse with Seth Allen not having done it, they are Still Continued to do it and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to draw David Akin's Certificate not having done it, are still continued to do it, and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning William Ricketson is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 3rd month 1742

This meeting being called John Howland present. There was a Condemnation drawn up and Signed at this meeting against Seth Allen, and Jabez Barker is appointed to read it at the end of a meeting of worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And there was a Certificate signed at this meeting for David Akin and directed to Friends at Mamaronack.

And whereas there has been a great deal of Labor bestowed upon William Ricketson in order to bring him to a right sense of his outgoings, but altogether seemingly to no effect, therefore this meeting appoints John Tucker and Isaac Smith to draw up a Condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 4th month 1742.

This meeting being called — John Russell and Thomas Smith present.

Jabez Barker hath read Seth Allen's condemnation as appointed, and it is as followeth —

Whereas Seth Allen of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England hath of late married out of the good order Established amongst us the people Called Quakers and taken one that was not in unity with us and also seems to Justify fiddling and Dancing in his House which practice has always been Contrary to our profession and Friends Have labored with him in love to reform him but he refuseth to hear them —

Therefore this meeting gives this forth as a Testimony against such practices — Denying him the Sd Seth Allen to be one in unity with us the people Called Quakers Sincerely desiring he may Come to a Sight of his outgoings and find mercy with the Lord.

Signed by order and in behalf of said meeting this 17th of the 3rd month by John Tucker Clerk —

And Thomas Aikin was at this meeting and hath made something of an acknowledgement as to his taking the oath as mentioned some time past and he desires still to remain under our Care which is granted,

And William Ricketson's Condemnation was drawn up and brought to this meeting, and John Tucker hath signed it by order and in the behalf of this meeting, and is ordered to read it or get somebody to do it on a first day after the meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting, And this meeting is adjourned till the first Sixth day in the next mo

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2nd Day of the 5th month 1742.

This meeting received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting at London, and it was kindly accepted.

And Joseph Russell and Jabez Barker were chosen to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to draw an Epistle to the Same.

1742 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 5th month 1742

This meeting being called John Howland and Adam Mott present.

Wm Ricketson disowned for unsoundness.

And William Ricketson's condemnation hath been read according to the order of the last monthly meeting — and it is as followeth.

Whereas William Ricketson of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol, in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that hath for many years made profession with us the people called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to the spirit of truth hath let in and given way to strange and wrong notions Contrary to our profession, two of which articles are as followeth — firstly, that Adam was in a better State after he had transgressed against the Command of God than he was in before, — Secondly — that from Adam to the Coming of Christ in the flesh, the wickedest of men brought as much honor to God as the Righteous. — these with many more such like notions he doth stand to justify, though much labor hath been bestowed upon him from time to time in order to bring him off from his errors, but he still rejects our Counsel, for which, for the clearing of our Holy profession, we give this forth as a public testimony against it, Denying him the said William Ricketson to be one in unity with us the people Called Quakers, truly desiring that Light may be given him to show him wherein he hath missed the way, and that God would show him mercy —

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 4th month 1742 and signed by order and in behalf of sd meeting by John Tucker — Clerk

This meeting hath collected, with forty shillings that the women gave in, the sum of 4: 12: 0

Hannah Jenkinson Public [illegible]

Our friend Hannah Jenkinson was at this meeting and her Certificate was read to good satisfaction.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting to good satisfaction.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott to pay to the overseers of the meeting House the sum of 3: 10: 0 for keeping the meeting House, and for shutters to ye windows

And whereas Hannah Wing Daughter of Edward Wing deceased, and Meribah Howland daughter of Isaac Howland have both of them gone out of the good order established among Friends and married those that were not under our care, therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith to draw up something in order to clear the truth of them and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker hath attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to ye Same.

And this meeting hath received the Quarterly meeting Epistle which was read and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 6th month 1742

This meeting being Called — John Howland and Adam Mott present -

The Visitors chosen for this year are for Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and John Mosher.

For Aponeganset - Adam Mott, Abraham Tucker Jedediah Allen and Peleg Smith —.

And for Acushnet - Benjamin Allen and Joseph Russell. There was a Condemnation Signed at this meeting against Hannah Mosher.

And whereas Meribah Briggs hath sent in a paper Signifying her Sorrow for her outgoings this meeting appoints Peleg Smith and George Smith to go once more with the women that advised with her before to Edeavor to know her Sincerity.

And whereas Eliphal Harper being about to remove to Pensylvania to live she desires a Certificate.

And Joseph Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to assist the women in making inquiry whether things are clear, and Draw up a certificate for her if nothing be found to hinder

And Benjamin Lapham being removed to a place Called Scituate to live in Rhode Island Government, he desires a Certificate — therefore this meeting appoints Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith to make inspection into the matter and if they find things Clear to Draw one, and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Adam Mott hath paid £5:10s:0d to ye overseers as ordered.

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held at our Meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 7th month 1742

This meeting being called — Adam Mott and John Howland present.

There was a certificate Signed at this meeting for Benjamin Lapham.

There was collected at this meeting £1:03s:03d

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in ye next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this first day of the 8th month 1742

The Visitors of Aponeganset and Acoaxet have given in their account of the Service.

And whereas Francis Tripp hath through ignorance

1742 as he saith taken the oath in some time past, he hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for the trouble of Friends in that affair and his own unwatchfulness, which this meeting accepts of.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are John Howland, Thomas Smith and Joseph Tucker and to Draw an Epistle to the same,

And this meeting hath signed a Certificate for Eliphal Harper.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 8th month 1742—

This meeting being called — Abraham Tucker present.
Hannah Mosher's Condemnation was read at this meeting and is as followeth —

Whereas Hannah Mosher wife of George Mosher and Daughter of Edward Wing and Sarah his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England deceased, being one that was Educated in the way of Truth, her Father and Mother both professing with us the people called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to her Education hath gone and married one that was not under our care in the common way of other people although advised to the Contrary, for which her Disorderly proceedings we can do no less than give this forth as a Testimony against her, denying her the Sd Hannah Mosher to be one in unity with us the abovesaid People, yet sincerely desiring that she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings, and find mercy with the Lord.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 8th month 1742 and signed by order of the said meeting by John Tucker — Clerk.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And whereas Timothy Russell the son of John Russell hath desired a Certificate of this meeting of his clearness relating to marriage and conversation, to the monthly meeting at Greenwich he being about to marry a young woman belonging to those parts Isaac Smith and Isaac Howland are appointed to inquire into the matter and Draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 9th month 1742 —

This meeting being called — John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The Friends appointed to Draw up a Certificate for Timothy Russell have done it, and it was signed at this meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 10th month 1742.

This meeting being called John Howland and Adam Mott present.

There was collected at this meeting 2ˡ: 18ˢ: 06ᵈ.
And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers the sum of 3 pounds ten shillings for half a year's keeping the meeting House.

And this meeting hath received forty shillings of the women towards keeping the meeting House.

And Adam Mott hath paid the 3ˡ: 10ˢ as above ordered
The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are Benjamin Allen, John Howland and Peleg Smith and to draw an Epistle to ye Same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 11th month 1742–
This meeting being called – James Barker and Isaac Howland present
John Howland and Peleg Smith have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to the Same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 12th month 1742–

This meeting being called – John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And whereas Holder Slocum's daughter Alice is gone and married out of the good order Established amongst Friends, this meeting therefore appoints James Barker Abraham Tucker and Jedediah Allen to talk with said Slocum to see how clear he hath kept himself and to give suitable advice as they may think proper and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Allen hath signified that he hath a mind to move with his family into the Western parts to live, this meeting therefore appoints John Russell and Isaac Smith with the visitors to make inquiry into his circumstances, and if they think suitable, draw up a certificate for him, and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the first month 1743

This meeting being called – Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present.

Peleg Gifford and Abigail Shepherd Did lay

1743 their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends two pounds, nine Shillings and two pence.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Holder Slocum have done it, but not being fully satisfied, the matter is referred till the next monthly meeting.

The Visitors have given in their account in writing to this meeting.

This meeting hath signed a Certificate for John Allen

There was a paper read at this meeting signed by Meribah Briggs. Signifying her sorrow for her outgoings, which this meeting accepts of, and She to remain under our care.

And whereas the widow Mary Davoll hath a mind to remove into the western parts to live with her Soninlaw and desires a Certificate from this meeting, therefore this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood and John Mosher to inquire into her Circumstances and Draw one if they think fit, and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And James Barker, Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to Draw an Epistle to the Same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 2nd month 1743

This meeting being called - James Barker and Peleg Smith presen

Peleg Gifford and Abigail Shepherd appeared at this meeting Desiring their answer in relation to their taking each other in marriage and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage observing the good order Established among Friends in the performance thereof,

And John Howland and Henry Headly are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to ye next monthly meeting:

And Peleg Smith hath attended the Quarterly meeting, and there was an Epistle drawn and sent.

And Thomas Smith being lately come home from Pensylvania hath brought a Certificate with him from the monthly meeting in New Garden, which was read to our Satisfaction.

And there was a Certificate brought to this meeting and Signed for the widow Davol.

This meeting hath had a Consideration upon the paper that was sent to the last Monthly Meeting by Thomas Taber and it is the Conclusion of this meeting that it Should be accepted, and he to remain under our Care.

The Friends appointed to Speak with Nathaniel Kirby and his Wife have done it but have not received full Satisfaction, but are not without hopes; therefore ye matter is referred.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House
in Dartmouth on ye 16th Day of the 3rd month 1743
John Howland present.

John Howland and Henry Hedly give this meeting an accou
that Peleg Gifford's and Abigail Shepherd's marriage was
Consummated In good order as far as they saw

Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are chosen to draw up
a paper of Condemnation against Mary Wood widow of Isaac Wood
Late deceased for marrying out of ye order Established amongst Friends.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House
in Dartmouth on ye 20th day of the 4th month 1743
This meeting being called - John Howland and
Abraham Tucker present.

And whereas the Friends appointed to draw up Mary
Wood's Condemnation not having done it are still continued
to do it against ye next monthly meeting.

Collected at this meeting £2: 06: 00

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay to the overseers 5: 09: 08
for ye Last half years keeping ye meeting House, and for
Some other business done about Sd House.

And the Treasurer hath paid the abovesaid money to the overseers.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are
James Barker, Thomas Smith and Joseph Tucker and
Draw an Epistle to the Same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House
in Dartmouth on ye 18th day of ye 5th month 1743
Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith present.

Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith have drawn up Mary Wood's
Condemnation and it was read in this meeting and is
as followeth—

Whereas Mary Wood Late wife of Isaac Wood decease
of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in ye Province of ye
Massachusetts Bay in New England and now wife of Charles
Brownell being one that in her first husband's days made
profession with us the people Called Quakers, but for
want of having a due regard thereunto, hath of Late married
to one that is not in profession with us, Contrary to ye good
advice of Friends, that hath from time to time been Given
for which disorderly proceeding we Can do no less, but give
this forth as a Condemnation against her denying her ye Said
Mary now the wife of Charles Brownell abovesaid to be one in
unity with us but truly desiring if it be the will of God, she
may come to a Sense of her outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
on the 18th day of the 5th month 1743 and signed by order
of Said meeting by John Tucker — Clerk

1743 And also Alice Slocum's Condemnation for the like offence was drawn up and brought to this meeting and is as followeth –

Whereas Alice Slocum daughter of Holder Slocum of Dartmouth in ye County of Bristol in ye Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that hath had her Education among us the people called Quakers, but for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth in herself, and taking the wholesome advice of Friends that hath been duly given her, hath let her mind out and married to one that is not in unity with us for which disorderly proceedings we can do no less but give this forth as a Testimony against it denying her the said Alice now wife of Job Almy to be one in unity with us yet we do sincerely desire that she come to unfeigned Repentance and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 5th month 1743
and signed by order of said meeting by John Tucker Clerk.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same have done it as appointed.

This meeting hath received an Epistle from the Yearly meeting in London
London Epist. which was read to good satisfaction, bearing date 1742 –

And the Quarterly Meeting Epistle was read to good satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 6th month 1743

This meeting being called – Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker present.

The Visitors chosen for Acoaxet for this year are William Wood Jonathan Wood and John Mosher.

And for Aponegansett – the same as served the last year.

And the same Friends that served for Acushnet last year are continued.

And whereas Robert Tripp as we understand has been guilty of some defraud toward the High Sheriff of ye County of Bristol and hath been cited several times to this meeting but refuses or neglects to come, therefore this meeting appoints Christopher Gifford Nathaniel Potter and Joseph Tripp to talk with him and desire him to come to ye next monthly meeting in order to make the meeting satisfaction or else he may expect Judgement to go forth against him.

At a monthly Meeting of Friends held at our Meeting House in Dartmouth on ye 22 day of ye 7th month 1743
This meeting being called – Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present.

Robert Mosher and Sarah Lawton did lay their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer,

And Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood are appointed to make inquiry into the young mans clearness and make return to ye next Monthly meeting

And ye visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account in writing.
There was collected at this meeting $1^{£}:09^{s}:00^{d}$
And whereas Robert Tripp hath not appeared but hath sent some excuse to this meeting Joseph Tripp is appointed to let him know that we expect some satisfaction at the next monthly meeting or else Judgement must go forth against him.
And this meeting is adjourned till ye first sixth day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 7th day of ye 8mo 1743
The Acoaxet visitor signifies that they have visited the families of Friends for the most part under their care and find things for the most part as well as they could expect.
And we received no account from Acushnet.
John Tucker, John Howland, Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 8th month 1743
This meeting being called Jedediah Allen and Isaac Smith present.
There was a certificate read at this meeting signed by our Friends at Nantucket concerning their unity with Jonathan Hussey and his wife's removal from thence to dwell amongst us, which was well accepted.
The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting have done it, all Except John Tucker, and Drawn an Epistle to ye same as appointed.
And ye Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.
Robert Mosher and Sarah Lawton appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst us in the accomplishing thereof
And Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.
Robert Tripp hath appeared at this meeting and made some satisfaction, and signifies that he hopes that he shall do something further at the next monthly meeting
And whereas we understand that the books that the monthly meeting subscribed for are printed and the money is Wanting to pay for it therefore John Howland is appointed to get ye money and procure the books for ye monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held in our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21 day of the 9 month 1743.
This meeting being called — Thomas Smith and Abraham Tucker present.

1743. Nath^{l}. Potter makes report to this meeting that Robert Mosher and Sarah Lawton's marriage was consummated in the good order of Truth

And Daniel Wood Jur. and Mary Wady laid their Intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

John Howland and James Barker are appointed to see into the young man's clearness concerning marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Robert Tripp hath made satisfaction to this meeting concerning the matter about the high Sheriff.

The matter about the books is referred till next monthly meeting.

Jos Jennings and family rec'd into membership

And whereas Joseph Jennings and his wife hath desired that they and their family might be taken under y^{e} care of this meeting, this meeting agrees to take them under their care

And there hath been some conference about repairing the meeting House which is referred to next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19 day of y^{e} 10th month 1743

This meeting is adjourned till y^{e} first sixth day in y^{e} next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of y^{e} 11 month 1743.

Daniel Wood and Mary Wady appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the Good order Established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof.

And James Barker and John Howland are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the above s^{d}. order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And y^{e} matter concerning y^{e} books is referred till next monthly meeting

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{2}$ - $\overset{s}{03}$ - $\overset{d}{04}$

Also the women gave forty shillings 2 . 00 . 00

The Treasurer is ordered to pay to the overseers $\overset{£}{4}$ - $\overset{s}{05}$ - $\overset{d}{00}$ for halfe a years keeping the meeting house.

And Adam Mott, Stephen Willcock and James Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the Same.

And the Treasurer hath paid y^{e} $\overset{£}{4}$ - $\overset{s}{05}$ as ordered.

And this meeting appoints John Howland, James Barker, Thomas Smith, Isaac Howland and Joseph Tucker a Com^{tee}. to consider after what manner to repair or add to y^{e} meeting house and to go forward with it as they think proper.

Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to oversee y^{e} meeting House the year ensuing

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16 day of ye 11th month 1743.

This meeting being called - Thomas Smith and Isaac Howland present.

John Howland and James Barker give this meeting an account that Daniel Wood and Mary Wady's marriage was consummated in good order according to their judgment.

Adam Mott and Stephen Willcock hath attended the quarterly meeting and Drawn an Episle to the same as appointed. And ye Quarterly meeting Episcle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And this meeting hath received the books called George Fox's Primmers, in number 100. and it is concluded that they may be sold for 3 shillings apiece.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 12 month 1743

This meeting being called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

Daniel Gifford son of Timothy Gifford and Ann Howland. Daughter of Isaac Howland Did lay their intentions of taking Each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer

And Jedediah Allen and John Russell are appointed to make inquiry into ye young man's clearness concerning marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Abigail Kirby doth proceed at times to appear in publick Testimony contrary to the advice of ye monthly meeting, therefore John Howland and Adam Mott are appointed to Labour further with her to persuade her to be silent.

And whereas Sarah Brownell daughter of Joseph Brownell hath of late gone out of order and married with one that is not under our care, therefore this meeting orders Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith to draw her condemnation And bring it to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19 day of ye first month 1744.

This meeting being called - John Howland and Adam Mott present.

Thomas Smith and Experience Chase did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And James Barker and John Shepherd are appointed to inspect into his clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Park of Grotton in the Colony of Connecticut and Sarah Gifford did lay their intention of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Eliashib Smith and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see that things are clear and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

The visitors of Acoaxet and Acushnet have given in their accounts in writing to this meeting of their Service

The Friends appointed to see into Daniel Gifford's clearness, give

1744. this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his proceedings.

And Daniel Gifford and Ann Howland appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order Established amongst us in the accomplishing thereof.

And Peleg Smith and George Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning Abigail Kirby is referred till ye next monthly meeting.

There was a paper of condemnation at this meeting against Sarah Brownell and is as followeth

Whereas Sarah Peckham Daughter of Joseph Brownell and now the wife of Stephen Peckham Jur. of Dartmouth, in the County of Bristol in ye Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England being one that was esteemed under ye care of Friends yet for want of keeping to ye principles of truth as it is held and maintained amongst us the People called Quakers hath gone and married one that is not under our care out of the order Established amongst us although Duly advised to ye contrary which Disorderly Proceeding we find it our Duty to give this forth as a Testimony against her. Denying the sd Sarah Peckham to be one in unity with us the aforesd People. Truly Desiring that she may come to a sense of her Outgoing and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19 day of the first month 174$\frac{3}{4}$

Signed by order of sd meeting by John Tucker — Clerk

And this meeting is adjourned till ye youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of ye 2nd month 1744.

The visitors in a General Way belonging to this meeting have given in their accounts that they have visited the families of Friends excepting that part between mill River and Acoaxet River.

John Tucker, Joseph Tucker and John Howland are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to ye same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16 day of the 2d month 1744.

This meeting being called. John Howland and Jedediah Allen present.

The Friends appointed to see into Thomas Smith's clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage, and we understand that things are clear relating to John Park.

And Thomas Smith and Experience Chase appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the Good Order Established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof.

And John Park and Sarah Gifford likewise appeared at this meeting desiring their answer and their answer was that they might proceed as above sd.

And Peleg and George Smith give this meeting an account that Daniel Gifford and Ann Howlands marriage was consummated in good order.

And John Tucker hath attended ye Quarterly meeting and there was an Epistle drawn and sent as ordered

This meeting hath received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read and well accepted.

And there was collected at this meeting £1 - 16s - 08d

And there was a complaint brought to this meeting against Robert Tripp that he is indebted to William Davel blacksmith and doth neglect to pay it. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Jedediah Wood and Christopher Gifford to see into the matter and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And whereas Meribah Slocum is about to remove to Newport to Live and Desires a certificate Therefore this meeting appoints John Howland and Adam Mott to prepare one and bring it to ye next monthly meeting

And Joseph Russell and John Howland are appointed to see Thomas Smith and Experience Chase's consummated in the good order Established amongst Friends

And John Shepherd and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see John Park and Sarah Giffords marriage consummated as above sd.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21 day of the 3 month 1744

This meeting being called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present

John Howland gives this meeting an account that he was at ye Solemnizing of Thomas Smith and Experience Chase's marriage And Saw nothing but that it was carried on in Good order.

And also Stephen Willcock signifies that John Park and Sarah Giffords marriage was carried on in good order.

And Robert Tripp hath made up wth Wm Davel

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Meribah Slocum

And this meeting hath received a certificate from Friends at Pembroke concerning Bethiah Walker recommending her to our care which is accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth On ye 18th day of the 4 month 1744

This meeting being called - John Howland and Peleg Smith present.

The Epistle from London yearly meeting bearing date 1743 was read at this meeting and well accepted.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are Eliashib Smith, John Howland and Stephen Willcock

There was collected at this meeting £2 - 13s - 02d

And this meeting is adjourned till ye youths meeting

1744. This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6 day of the 5th month 1744

This meeting orders the treasurer to pay the overseers the Sum of 4 pounds and five shillings old Tenor for the Last halfe years keeping ye meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on ye 16th day of the 5th month 1744.

This meeting being called - Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present.

The treasurer hath paid the 4 pounds 5 shillings as ordered.

Eliashib Smith and Stephen Willcock hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted

And whereas Joseph Russell Jur. is about to marry out of the Good order Established amongst us therefore this meeting appoints Adam Matt and George Smith to advise with the young man in order that he may refrain from proceeding in that matter

And whereas Abraham Wing being removed to ye Oblong to live he desires a certificate from this meeting therefore this meeting appoints Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott to make enquiry into the matter and Draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 6 month 1744.

This meeting being called - John Howland and Adam Mott present

Barnabas Mosher and Bethiah Walker did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting And were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer

And Eliashib Smith and Josiah Merrihew are appointed to enquire into the young man's clearness Respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting

The matter concerning Abraham Wing's certificate is Referred till ye next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 7th month 1744.

This meeting being called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present.

Barnabas Mosher and Bethiah Walker appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in Some convenient time between this and the Next monthly meeting. Observing the good order Established amongst Friends in the performance thereof

And Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott are appointed to See their marriage Solemnized in ye above Sd. order.

The visitors of that part of Aponaganset to ye westward of the

Mill River have given in their accounts to this meeting that they Find that Several Friends have been out of order in paying money towards upholding warring and fighting. Therefore this meeting appoints Isaac Howland Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith to Labour with them to see if they can make Satisfaction for what they have done contrary to our principles in that case and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are James Barker, John Howland and Adam Mott and to Draw an Epistle to ye same.

And the collection is referred to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15 day of ye 8th month 1744.

This meeting being called – John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

Eliashib Smith makes report to this meeting that Barnabas Mosher and Bethiah Walkers marriage was consummated in Decent order.

And Robert Kirby Jur. and Abigail Allen did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer

And John Russell and Jedediah Allen are appointed to see into the young mans clearness.

And John Macomber and Desire Potter did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer

And Joseph Tripp and Jonathn. Wood are appointed to Enquire concerning the young mans clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting

And whereas the Friends that were appointed to Labour With those that have been out of order towards Propagating warring and fighting not having done it it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the Same as appointed.

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read in this meeting and kindly accepted.

And this meeting hath concluded to come to a Subscription towards paying the charge of the new addition to the meeting house

And this meeting appoints John Howland and Joseph Tucker to take the charge of getting the Subscription and paying of it out.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 9th month 1744.

This meeting being called – John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

Lydia Soule
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There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Lydia Soule signifying our kind reception of her visit amongst us. There was

1744. also another signed at this meeting for Abraham Wing.

And Robert Kirby and Abigail Allen appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order Established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof.

And John Russell and Jedediah Allen are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And John Macomber and Desire Potter appeared at this meeting for their answer And their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing ye above sd good order in the performance thereof.

And Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{01}-\overset{d}{02}$

The matter concerning Some Friends not keeping to their Testimony against fighting is referred till the next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Ricketson and Phebe Russell having Set up their Publishment of marriage out of the good order Established amongst Friends This meeting appoints Adam Mott and Jedediah Allen to Endeavor to perswade them to desist.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 10th month 1744

This meeting being called John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

John Russell and Jedediah Allen give this meeting an account that Robert Kirby and Abgail Allen's marriage hath been orderly consummated

And John Wood and Hannah Wing did lay their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer

And Christopher Gifford and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to inquire into ye young man's clearness Respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting

And Samuel Sawdy and Pernel Mott did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see into the young man's clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood give this meeting an account that John Macomber and Desire Potters marriage was consummated in good order.

And Ebenezer Slocum hath made satisfaction to this meeting Respecting his giving money for the propagation of warring and fighting and as for the rest that have been out of order in that affair the matter is referred till the next monthly meeting and the Comtt is to labour further with them.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{02}-\overset{d}{06}$

And this meeting is adjourned until the first 6day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of ye 11th month 1744.
Stephen Willcock Thomas Smith and Abraham Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and to Draw an Epistle to the same

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed overseers for the meeting House the year ensuing

John Tucker John Howland James Barker Joseph Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to view the minutes in order that all that are necessary may be put to record.

~~At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth.~~

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 22 day of the 11th month 1744.

This meeting being called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to ye same

And the Friends appointed to Enquire into Samuel Sawdy's clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

Public Friend Benjamin Ferris

And our Friend Benjamin Ferris from the Oblong was at this meeting whose Labour in ye Ministry among us was very acceptable. And his certificate was read to good satisfaction.

And Samuel Sawdy and Pernel Mott appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order Established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof.

The matter concerning those that have been out of order in Propagating warring and fighting is referred till ye next monthly meeting.

And John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see Samuel Sawdy's marriage consummated.

Money desired for Westerly and Taunton Mtg Houses. See minute P 337

We have received the Quarterly meeting Epistle which was read wherein it was desired that we should raise a sum of money for ye defraying the charge of building Westerly and Taunton meeting Houses

And whereas there have been Several Friends children married of Late out of ye order Established among Friends, the matter is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on ye 18th of ye 12th month 1744.

This meeting being called - Abraham Tucker present

The Friends that were appointed to inquire into John Wood's clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And John Wood and Hannah Wing appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order Established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof

1745. And Nathaniel Potter and Christopher Gifford are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting

The making up the monthly meetings accompts with the Treasurer is referred.

And Joseph Tucker give this meeting an account that he was at Samuel Sawdy's Marriage and saw nothing but that it was orderly accomplished.

And Nicholas Howland hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his Sorrow for paying money toward the upholding of warring and fighting. which is accepted.

And there was a complaint brought against Nicholas Lapham to this meeting, that he doth refuse to pay to Timothy Potter the money that ye Arbitrators awarded him Therefore this meeting appoints John Russell, George Smith and Jonathan Smith to go to sd Lapham to know the reason that he doth not pay it and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And Brice Shepherd, son of John Shepherd hath requested a certificate of this meeting to the monthly meeting at Swansey of his clearness as to marriage and conversation. Therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and Henry Headly to make enquiry into the affair and draw one accordingly.

The matter concerning those that have been out of order in upholding warring and fighting, not being thoroughly finished. is referred.

And Holder Slocum hath been at this meeting and made some acknowledgement as to his paying money to uphold the war.

And whereas Abigail Kirby hath not made Satisfaction, therefore this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood to take some Friend or Friends to go with him to advise her and see what she can do and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to peruse the minutes have gone through the greatest part of the business and Isaac Smith is ordered to record them

And whereas John Ricketson and Phebe Russell and Joseph Russell Junr. and Judith Howland have gone out of the order Established amongst Friends and married in the common way of other People, therefore this meeting appoints John Tucker and Isaac Smith to Draw their Condemnations and bring them to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 1st month 1745

Dartmouth meeting called — John Howland and Adam Mott present.

The Friends appointed to see John Woods and Hannah Wings marriage accomplished give this meeting an account that it was consummated according to good order, in their judgment.

And we have had the report of the Comtee. that was appointed to discourse with Nicholas Lapham. And it is this meetings judgment that he the sd Lapham should pay the money to Timothy Potter according to ye award of ye Arbitrators, without he can come in with sd Potter to have another hearing.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Brice Shepherd.

And whereas James Tripp is about to remove to the Oblong to settle and desires a certificate therefore, — this meeting appoints Christopher Gifford and Jedediah Wood to inquire into his Circumstances and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And James Tucker Benjamin Howland and Jonathan Ricketson have made some Satisfaction as to their being out of order in Propagating warring and fighting, and whereas Daniel Howland hath been dealt with in that affair, yet still doth remain obstinate this meeting thinks best not only for that but for many other disorders to set him aside and do deny him to be one in unity with us or under our care.

Othniel Tripp rec'd a member.

And Othniel Tripp hath been at this meeting and desires to be under ye care of Friends. And this meeting hath granted his Request.

And there was collected at this meeting £2 14s 00d

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the Overseers 2 pounds five shillings for the last halfe year keeping the meeting House.

The Acoaxet visiters have given in their account in writing to this meeting.

The Friends appointed to draw up Joseph Russell Jur and his wifes and John Ricketson's and his wife's condemnations have done it and it is referred to the next monthly meeting. And this meeting is adjourned till ye first 6th day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of the 2d month 1745.

John Howland Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

And Thomas Smith and Isaac Smith have made up the monthly meetings accompts with Adam Mott, and there remains in the Stock 3 pounds 14 shillings.

Abm Tucker appd Treasurer.

And this meeting hath chosen Abraham Tucker Treasurer in ye room of Adam Mott.

And as to what was requested in the Quarterly meeting Epistle, concerning raising money to build meeting Houses, we are not in a way now to comply with it.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 5th day of the 2d month 1745.

This meeting being called — Stephen Willcock and Abraham Tucker present.

We received a certificate from the monthly meeting at South Kingston commending John Park to our care which is accepted.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

£26 agreed for Taunton and Westerly Mtg houses.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and agreable to the advice set forth in sd Epistle this meeting doth conclude to come to a subscription of 26 pounds for defraying the charges of Westerly and Taunton meeting Houses.

The business referred from last monthly meeting to this is referred to the next.

And Timothy Ricketson hath requested of this meeting a few lines by way of certificate to the monthly meeting at the Nine Partners he being about to remove there to live with his wife and family. And Jonathan Wood and Ebenezer Slocum are appointed to make inquiry into his

1745 circumstances and draw one accordingly if they think proper.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for James Tripp

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 3d month 1745.

This meeting being called John Howland and James Barker present.

Jonathan Smith makes report to this meeting that according to the appointment of the monthly meeting he hath acquainted Nicholas Lapham with the mind of the meeting and he refuses to take up with the meeting's judgment. Therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting and James Barker and Abraham Tucker are to Labor further with him and let him know that if he will not comply with the meeting judgement must go forth against him.

William Anthony and his wife, lately removing here from Swansey brought a certificate from Swansey monthly meeting of Friends which was read and accepted.

And Joseph Russell junr and his wife's condemnation was read at this meeting and is as followeth —

Whereas Joseph Russell son of Joseph Russell of Dartmouth and Mary his wife, and Judith Howland, now Russell daughter of Barnabas Howland and Rebeckah his wife of Dartmouth aforesd being Educated in the way of Friends the people called Quakers, their parents making profession with us the aforesd People and being nearer in relation one to another than are allowed to marry amongst us yet they have kept company and married out of ye good order Established amongst us to the grief of the honest hearted and contrary to the wholesome advice and counsel that hath from time to time been given them. Therefore for the clearing of our profession of such disorders, we find it our Duty to give forth a Testimony against them, denying the sd Joseph Russell and Judith his wife to be in unity with us the People called Quakers.

Signed by order and in behalf of sd meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

And John Ricketson's and his wife's condemnation was read at this meeting and is as followeth —

Whereas John Ricketson son of Jonathan Ricketson and Abigail his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol and in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England and Phebe Russell now Ricketson, daughter of John Russell and Rebekah his wife of Dartmouth aforesd being Educated amongst us the People called Quakers their parents being of that denomination, yet have let out their affections so far as to be married in ye common way of other people, they being nearer of kin than is allowed to marry amongst us, they having been advised and persuaded in Love to desist. for which disorderly proceeding we can do no less, for the Clearing of the Truth which we profess; but give forth a Testimony against them, denying them the sd John Ricketson and Phebe his wife, to be in unity with us the People called Quakers.

Signed by order and in behalf of sd meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

And Timothy Ricketson's certificate is referred to next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Tucker and Barnabas Howland are added to the Comtte that was appointed to make up accounts for building and repairing the meeting House.

Members impressed for military [illegible]

And whereas there have been many that are under the care of Friends that have been lately impressed to bear arms this meeting appoints Peleg Smith, Abraham Tucker, Isaac Howland, Jonathan Wood, Christopher Gifford and John Mosher to assist and advise as there may be occasion.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 4th month 1745.
This meeting is adjourned till the 24th day of this instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 24th day of the 4th month 1745. Eliashib Smith present.
The yearly meeting Epistle from London bearing date 1744, was read in this meeting to good satisfaction
Beriah Goddard and Susanna Sisson did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Joseph Tripp and Benjamin Shearman are appointed to inspect into sd. Goddards clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.
Our Quarterly collection is referred till next monthly meeting.
John Howland, Stephen Willcock, and Peleg Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and Draw an Epistle to ye same.
The Friends appointed to Discourse with Nicholas Lapham not having done it are still continued to do it as soon as may be.
And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of ye 5th month 1745.
And whereas Nicholas Lapham hath been much Laboured with in order to reclaim him wherein he hath been amiss, referring to a case depending between him and Timothy Potter, yet doth take no notice so as to do anything to Friends satisfaction, therefore this meeting appoints Isaac Smith to draw something to clear the Truth of such reproaches and bring it to the next monthly meeting.
And whereas the meeting hath been at a great charge about the addition to the meeting house and other necessary things, we think proper to apply ourselves to the Quarterly meeting for some relief
The choosing of visitors is referred to ye next monthly meeting.
And Isaac Smith brings in an account of 5 pounds and 16 shillings due to him for recording the monthly meeting minutes.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 5th month 1745.
This meeting being called — John Russell and James Barker present.
And Beriah Goddard and Susanna Sisson appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order Established amongst Friends

1745. in the performance thereof. And joseph Tripp and John Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting £3-05s 0d 2

This meeting order the Treasurer to pay to the overseers 4 pounds and 5 shillings for half a year's keeping the meeting House.

John Howland and Stephen Willcock have attended ye Quarterly meeting and Drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

And the Quarterly meeting's Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And Isaac Smith hath received to his satisfaction for recording the minutes.

And Adam Gifford hath signified to this meeting that he desires a certificate of his clearness as to marriage and conversation to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island. Therefore this meeting appoints Eliashib Smith and Adam Mott to make inquiry and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

There was a paper presented to this meeting from Susanna Shearman wife of William Shearman, signifying her Sorrow for her out goings, which this meeting accepts and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it at the end of a first-day meeting

And whereas John Lawton hath as we understand paid money toward the upholding of the Military this meeting appoints jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford to labour with him to bring him to a sight of what he hath done amiss.

The visitors chosen for this year for Aponeganset are Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith and the rest is referred till the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 6th month 1745.

This meeting being called John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The Treasurer hath paid the £4 05s 00d to the overseers as ordered.

And Joseph Tripp gives this meeting an account that the marriage of Beriah Goddard and Susanna Sisson was accomplished in good order.

Philip Allen and Susanna Allen did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And John Russell and Ebenezer Slocum are appointed to see into ye young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to ye next monthly meeting

Stephen Willcock and Peace Wood [illegible] minute for [illegible]

And whereas Stephen Willcock and Peace Wood being about to travel into the Western Parts upon the account of ye ministry, had each of them a certificate signed at this meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Adam Gifford and directed to ye monthly meeting at Rhode island

And the former Treasurer, Adam Mott hath paid 3 pounds 14 shillings to our present Treasurer Abraham Tucker, being what remained in the stock when the accounts were made up with Sd Mott.

And this meeting hath received a certificate from South Kingston, concerning Sarah Park of her good conversation whilst she was there and recommending her to us, which is accepted.

And whereas John Lawton hath not made satisfaction to this meeting, the matter is referred till the next monthly meeting.

The visitors chosen for Acoaxet for this year are Jonathan Wood and John Mosher. And the choosing of visitors for Acushnet is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas there is considerable money due upon account of the charge of the meeting house this meeting agrees to pay use from this day to John Howland and he is to disburse it where it is due.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 7th month 1745

This meeting being called -- John Howland and Abraham Tucker present.

The Friends appointed to enquire into Philip Allen's clearness make report, that they find nothing to obstruct his proceeding in his intended marriage.

And Philip Allen and Susanna Allen appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order Established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof. And John Russell and Ebenezer Slocum are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the sd. good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders ye Treasurer to pay to Isaac Smith the sum of 4£-0s-10d old tenor, being the remainder of the sum in full of his demand for recording the monthly meeting minutes.

And Paul Russell hath sent in a paper to this meeting, signifying his Sorrow for the Disorder that he hath been in in times past and desiring to be under the care of Friends, which this meeting accepts, and he is to be under this meetings care for the time to come.

And Benjamin Allen and Jacob Taber are chosen visitors for Acushnet for the ensuing year.

And this meeting concludes to let the matter rest concerning John Lawton.

And whereas Adam Mott paid the money for Nicholas Lapham to Timothy Potter through a mistake which sd. Lapham doth refuse to make up to sd. Mott, it is referred to next monthly meeting

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of ye 8th month 1745.

The visitors of Aponegansett make report to this meeting that they have made some progress in visiting Friends families and in the General find things pretty well but in some places not so well, and there they Laboured for an amendment.

Thomas Smith, Peleg Smith, Barnabas Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next and Draw an Epistle to the same

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 8th month 1745.

This meeting being called - John Howland and James Barker present.

1745 John Russell give this meeting an account that he was at Philip Allen's marriage and saw nothing but that it was consummated in good order.

And Othniel Tripp and Abigail Jenkins did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till our next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jonathan Wood and John Mosher are appointed to see into Othniel Tripps clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Lemuel Sisson and Deborah Wing did also lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next for their answer. And John Howland and James Barker are appointed to see into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the Treasurer hath paid $4^{£}\ 08^{s}-10^{d}$ to Isaac Smith according to the order of y^{e} last monthly meeting

And this meeting hath had some Discourse relating to Nicholas Lapham's case, and it is the Judgement of this meeting that a condemnation ought to go forth against him, and Isaac Smith is ordered to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it all excepting Barnabas Howland and Drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read in this meeting and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th of y^{e} 9th month 1745

This meeting being called - James Barker and Adam Mott present.
The Friends appointed to inquire into Othniel Tripp's and Lemuel Sissons clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder their intended marriage.

And Othniel Tripp and Abigail Jenkins and Lemuel Sisson and Deborah Wing came to this meeting desiring their answers. And the answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order Established among Friends in the performance thereof.

And Jonathan Wood and John Mosher are appointed to see Othniel Tripp and Abigail Jenkins their marriage in the s^{d} good order, and John Howland and James Barker are appointed to see Lemuel Sisson's and Deborah Wing's marriage consummated as above s^{d} and all to make return to y^{e} next monthly meeting.

And there was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Nicholas Lapham, and Isaac Smith is appointed to read it at the end of a meeting on a first day between this and y^{e} next monthly meeting.

Meeting at [illegible] And whereas it was proposed at this meeting whether it might not be proper to settle a meeting at Adam Mott's or thereabouts this winter, it hath been considered and this meeting comes to a conclusion that there should be a meeting settled there on every first day of y^{e} week, for this winter excepting that first day preceeding the monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 10th month 1745

Present James Barker and Abraham Tucker.

Jonathan Wood and John Mosher give an account that Othniel Tripp and Abigail Jenkins their marriage was consummated in good order.

And John Howland and James Barker give an account in the like manner concerning Lemuel Sisson's and Deborah King's marriage

And John Howland Jur. and Deborah Shepherd did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Nicholas Lapham's condemnation hath been read as ordered and is as followeth —

Whereas Nicholas Lapham of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England being one that hath for many years made Profession with us the People called Quakers, being accused and complained of to our monthly meeting by Timothy Potter of Dartmouth aforesd., of Fraudulent Dealing with him the sd. Potter, therefore through Friends Assistance the matter was left to an Arbitration, Each Party promising to stand to and fulfil the award, which said Lapham contrary to his Promise doth refuse or neglect to do, although much Labour hath been bestowed to persuade him to do it but all to no purpose.

Therefore for the clearing of the blessed Truth which we Profess and that all may know that we have no unity with such Fallacious and Fraudulent Dealing we can do no less but give forth this as a public Testimony against it, and do deny him the Sd. Nicholas Lapham to be one in unity with us the aforesd. People, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 9th month 1745. And Signed in and by order of sd. meeting by John Tucker — Clerk.

And there was collected at this meeting $1^{£}-12^{s}-00^{d}$

And whereas Abraham Barker hath desired a certificate of this meeting to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island of his clearness as to marriage and conversation, therefore Jabez Barker and Henry Hedly are appointed to make enquiry and draw one if they think fit and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Prep Meeting established at Acoaxet

And whereas Friends of Acoaxet have requested of this meeting that there might be a Preparative meeting settled amongst them this meeting thinks it reasonable and their request is granted.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Jonathan Wood and John Mosher and to draw an Epistle to the same

The former overseers for the meeting House are continued for one year longer.

1745. At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 11th month 1745.

James Barker and Abraham Tucker present.

The Friends appointed to make inquiry into John Howlands clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

John Howland and Deborah Shepherd appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in ye above sd order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

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And William Gifford and Patience Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till our next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jedediah Wood and John Mosher are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and Conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Nathaniel Mosher and Ruth Mott did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Eleashib Smith and Joseph Tucker are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an epistle to the same as ordered.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

Philip Tripp imprisoned for Truth's sake

We have received an account and also seen the discharge from under the hand of the High Sheriff of Bristol County, concerning Philip Tripp who hath suffered six months imprisonment for refusing to be concerned in warring and fighting.

There were forty shillings sent into this meeting by the women toward keeping the meeting house.

And whereas we understand that John Slocum hath been much out of order in keeping company and gaming and drinking to the Dishonour of our holy profession, therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and Stephen Willcock to talk with sd Slocum to see what he can do for satisfaction.

And there hath been a report concerning Timothy Ricketson that hath put a bond into an Attorney's hand in order to sue it out when ye sd bond hath been already answered. Therefore this meeting appoints Christopher Gifford and Ebenezer Slocum to endeavor to find out the Truth of the matter and let the monthly meeting know how they find it.

And Increas Allen hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his outgoing in his disorderly marriage and desires to come into unity again, which this meeting accepts and he is to be under our care.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers the sum of $1^{£}\ 05^{s}$-00^{d} old tenor for half a years keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 1st month $174\frac{5}{6}$

Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present for Aponeganset and Jonathan Wood and Benjamin Shearman for Acoaxet.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{00}$-$\overset{d}{00}$

And Abraham Tucker hath paid the $\overset{£}{4}$ $\overset{s}{05}$-$\overset{d}{00}$ as ordered

And Jedediah Wood gives this meeting an account that the marriage of William Gifford and Patience Russell was consummated in good order

And whereas we have received no satisfaction from John Slocum, this meeting appoints Ebenezer Slocum to let him know that if he doth not do something to Friends satisfaction we must proceed to set him aside and he to make return to y^e next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to discourse with John Chase have done so and the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting

And whereas this meeting hath considered the circumstances of Abigail Kirby and it is the mind of this meeting that she ought to

1746 condemn her appearing in public before she had made acknowledgement for her outgoings, and also that she ought to be silent in that respect till Friends are further satisfied. Benjamin Shearman is ordered to let her know the mind of this meeting.

And whereas John Lawton's two daughters have both gone out of our good order and married in the common way of other people; therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw up both their condemnations and bring them to our next monthly meeting.

And the visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account in writing to this meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 6th day in ye 2d month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of ye 2d month 1746.

Eliashib Smith and Joseph Tucker give this meeting an account that Nathaniel Moshers and Ruth Motts marriage was consummated in good order.

The visitors of Aponeganset village give this meeting an account that they have made some Progress in visiting Friends families, and that where they have been they find things for the most part pretty well, and where things were amiss they laboured that there might be amendment.

Josiah Akin and Judith Huddlestone did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until next monthly meeting for their answer and Jabez Barker and John Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Large Meeting [illegible]

And whereas our yearly meetings are generally very large and full it is thought proper that the meeting that used to be held at Acoaxet on the fifth day of the week be omitted and that the yearly meeting be held at Acoaxet the three following days as well as at Aponegansett.

James Barker, John Howland and Abraham Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 2d month 1746.

John Howland and James Barker present for Aponeganset, for Acoaxet Benjamin Shearman present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Josiah Akin's clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And the Friends appointed to see into Meribah Slocum's circumstances give an account that affairs are settled to satisfaction.

And John Wanton and Meribah Slocum appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, observing the good order Established amongst Friends in the accomplishing thereof. And

Jabez Barker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in the above s^{d} order and make return to y^{e} monthly meeting next

And Josiah Akin and Judith Huddlestone appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the consummating thereof. And Jabez Barker and John Russell are appointed to see their marriage solemnized and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Gifford and Mary Cornell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Joseph Mosher and William Sanford are appointed to make inquiry into Isaac Gifford's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning John Slocum is suspended, and John Russell and Holder Slocum are appointed to advise further with him to see if they can bring him to condemn his bad practices and make return to the next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And whereas there was a report brought to this meeting that William Wood son of William Wood had spread a scandalous report of Stephen Willcock, therefore this meeting appoints, Joseph Tucker and Henry Headly and Isaac Smith to make inquiry into the matter and make return to y^{e} next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 3d month 1746

Aponeganset meeting called – John Howland present. Acoaxet meeting called – Christopher Gifford and Isaac Cornell present.

John Russell and Jabez Barker give this meeting an account that Josiah Akin's and Judith Huddlestone's marriage was orderly consummated

The Friends appointed to inquire into Isaac Gifford's clearness give an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

And Isaac Gifford and Mary Cornell appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Joseph Mosher and William Sanford are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the above s^{d} order and make return to y^{e} next monthly meeting

And Joseph Tucker gives this meeting an account that John Warton's and Meribah Slocum's marriage was consummated in good order.

1746. And the matter concerning John Slocum is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Rebeckah Lawton now wife of David Milk, her condemnation was read at this meeting and is as followeth —

Whereas Rebekah Lawton daughter of John Lawton of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol. in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England being one that hath been educated amongst us the People called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to her Education hath gone into a Liberty so as to keep company and marry with a man that is not of our communion out of the good order Established among Friends and contrary to the advice of her Father and Friends;

Therefore for the clearing of the blessed Truth of such obstinate and Disorderly proceedings, we can do no less than to give this forth as a condemnation against her, Denying her the said Rebekah now the wife of David Milk to be one in unity with us the aforesaid People, yet sincerely desiring that she may come to a sense of her outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 3d month 1746, and signed in and by order of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

And Mary Lawton now wife of Jonathan Davel her condemnation was brought to this meeting and approved and John Mosher is appointed to read it or see that it is done between this and the next monthly meeting.

And the matter between William Wood and Stephen Willcock is made up

And the matter between William Wood and Adam Mott is referred to next monthly meeting

And whereas Christopher Gifford and Ebenezer Slocum were chosen to make inquiry into a scandalous report of Timothy Ricketson, Thomas Smith and George Smith are appointed wth sd. Slocum a Comtte to inquire further and give in their judgment in the matter.

And whereas Sarah Park having gone to Westerly to live desires a certificate of this meeting, this meeting appoints Isaac Smith to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 4th month 1746.

Thomas Smith and James Shearman present.

And this meeting is adjourned to the 23d of this instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 23d day of the 4th month 1746.

And John Mosher signifies to this meeting that Mary Davels condemnation hath been read as ordered.

And William Sanford gives this meeting an account that Isaac Giffords marriage was consummated in good order.

And as to the matter between Adam Mott and William Wood it is by the Parties agreed and approved by this meeting that Jabez Barker, Peleg Smith and Ebenezer Slocum be a Comtte to hear and determine the matter.

The matter concerning Timothy Ricketson is referred and the Comtee is to make further inspection into ye matter.

And this meeting hath received a certificate from the monthly meeting at Portsmouth on Rhode Island concerning Ann Gifford wife of Adam Gifford recommending her to our care which we accept with satisfaction.

Edw Cornell recd a member

And Edward Cornell hath signified his desire of coming under the care of Friends which this meeting accepts and he is to be under our care.

Collected at this meeting £1-17s-00d

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers 4 pounds ten shillings for ye last half year keeping ye meeting house.

And whereas we cannot find that John Slocum is any ways reformed in his life and conversation this meeting appoints Isaac Smith to draw up his condemnation and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Help asked fr. Swansey Mtg House

And as to ye request of ye Quarterly meeting towards our coming to a Subscription for building Swansey meeting house, we do not find that we are in a way to do anything at present.

And the yearly meeting Epistle from London was read to good satisfaction

And Thomas Smith Stephen Willcock and Peleg Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st of the 5th month 1746.

Aponeganset meeting called—James Barker and John Howland present: Acoaxet meeting called—Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood present.

The matter concerning Timothy Ricketson is referred to ye next monthly meeting

And ye Treasurer hath paid the 4 pound ten shillings as ordered

Thomas Smith and Stephen Willcock give an account that they have attended the Quarterly meeting and Drawn an Epistle to ye same as ordered.

We received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read and well accepted.

The matter concerning Adam Mott and William Wood is referred to next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Smith hath drawn John Slocum's condemnation as appointed and Jabez Barker is ordered to read it on a first day after meeting.

And Lemuel Sisson and his wife have sent in a paper condemning their outgoing and Benjamin Shearman is to see that it be read publicly after a first day meeting.

And Eleazer Smith hath sent in a paper to his meeting condemning his going to training which is accepted.

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Meeting at Josiah Merrihew's.

Jona Wood (religious concern.

And this meeting approve of a meeting of Friends to be held at Josiah Merrihew's for 4 months from this time on the first day of the week

And Jonathan Wood hath signified to this meeting that he hath a concern to travel as far as Long Island in the Service of Truth and desires a certificate Therefore Christopher Gifford, John Mosher and Isaac Smith are appointed to see into his circumstances and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And the Choosing of visitors is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 6th month 1746.

Aponegunset meeting called — John Howland and Abraham Tucker present: for Acoaxet — Jedediah Wood and Benjamin Shearman.

The matter concerning Timothy Ricketson is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Jabez Barker hath read John Slocum's condemnation according to order and it is as followeth —

Whereas John Slocum, son of Ebenezer Slocum late of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that was Educated among the People called Quakers, but for want of keeping to his Education and the Spirit of Truth in his own heart hath gone into many things which are contrary to our holy profession, in keeping company and drinking strong drink to excess and gaming and such like evil practices:

Therefore for the clearing of our holy profession from such enormities we can do no less but give this forth as a Public Testimony against it, denying him the said John Slocum to be one in unity with us the above said People, yet truly desiring that he may come to unfeigned repentence of all his outgoings.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 5th month 1746: and signed by order of said meeting by John Tucker — Clerk.

And Lemuel Sisson's and his wife's Paper condemning their outgoings hath been read according to order and is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 21st of ye 5th month 1746.

Loving Friends:

Whereas we have to our own shame brought Dishonor upon Friends and that holy Profession which we profess, by having a child born too soon after marriage, we are sorry for it and desire that Friends would pass by our outgoings.

Lemuel Sisson
Deborah Sisson.

And Nathaniel Howland the son of John Howland and Joanna Howland, widow of William Howland and daughter of William Ricketson did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until our next monthly meeting for their answer. And Abraham Tucker and James Barker are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Elisha Coggeshal of Newport and Elizabeth Russell, daughter of Benjamin Russell, did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

The Friends appointed to make up the matter between William Wood and Adam Mott have done it and William Wood hath sent in a Paper condemning his spreading some scandalous report of Adam Mott.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 7th month 1746.

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and Abraham Tucker present: for Acoaxet Christopher Gifford and Othniel Tripp.

The Friends appointed to see into Nathaniel Howlands clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in his intended marriage.

And Nathaniel Howland and Joanna Howland appeared at this meeting for their answer as did Elisha Coggeshal and Elizabeth Russell. And they had their answer that they might proceed to marry, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishing thereof, in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see Nathaniel Howland's marriage orderly consummated, and Stephen Willcock and Isaac Howland are chosen upon the like account for Elisha Coggeshal.

And John Lawton and Rebekah Allen did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Christopher Gifford and John Mosher are appointed to inquire into John Lawton's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The visitors chosen for this Year are for Aponeganset —
Abraham Tucker, James Barker, Stephen Willcock and Peleg Smith.
And for Acoaxet — Jonathan Wood and John Mosher.
And for Acushnet — Jacob Taber and Benjamin Allen.

And we understand that William Macomber Jun^r. hath a desire to come under the care of Friends. Therefore this meeting appoints Othniel Tripp and John Cornell to make inquiry into his circumstances whether they are as becomes the Truth, and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account in writing of their Service in visiting Friends families.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Stephen Willcock, James Barker, Joseph Tucker and John Mosher and to Draw an epistle to the same.

And this meeting hath agreed to come to a Subscription for

1746 Swansey meeting house. The collection is referred to next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 8th month 1746

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and Abraham Tucker present: For Acoaxet Christopher Gifford and John Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see into John Lawtons clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage with Rebekah Allen.

And John Lawton appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Christopher Gifford and Joseph Russell are appointed to see that the matter is accomplished in the manner above said and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And James Barker and Abraham Tucker give this meeting an account that Nathaniel Howlands marriage was solemnized orderly.

And Isaac Howland and Stephen Willcock give this meeting an account that Elisha Coggeshals and Elizabeth Russells marriage was orderly consummated.

Wm Macomber and wife rec'd into membership.

The Friends appointed to inquire into William Macombers circumstances make report that they find nothing but that he is of an orderly conversation. Therefore this meeting doth conclude that both he and his wife may be under the care of this meeting for the time to come.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, have, all excepting Stephen Willcock and the Epistle was drawn and carried.

The collection for Swansey meeting house is referred to next monthly meeting.

And whereas there hath been a report brought into this meeting that William Wood Son of William Wood hath been very unjust in relation to a piece of gold that he received of a Friend in Pennsylvania in order to be delivered to Nathaniel Starbuck of Nantucket, therefore this meeting appoints John Howland, Joseph Tucker and Barnabas Howland to inquire into the matter and talk with said Wood to see what they can bring him to do.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 9th month 1746.

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and Abraham Tucker present: for Acoaxet Benjamin Sheaman and John Mosher.

Joseph Russell gives this meeting an account that John Lawtons and Rebekah Allens marriage was consummated orderly.

And William Barker and Hannah Wood did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And John Howland

and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see into the young mans clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And as there hath been nothing done relating to William Woods case, it is referred to the next monthly meeting. And Stephen Tucker is appointed with John Howland and Joseph Tucker in that service in the room of Barnabas Howland.

And this meeting hath allowed that there be a meeting kept at Josiah Merrihews for the six ensuing months.

Returning minutes of Jona Wood.

Jonathan Wood being returned from his journey in the service of Truth hath brought certificates with him one from Long Island and another from the Oblong — to good satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 10th month 1746

Aponegansett meeting called — John Howland and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and John Mosher present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into William Barker's clearness, give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

William Barker and Hannah Wood appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And Christopher Gifford and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Jonathan Sisson Jur. and Hannah Howland did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were de[illegible]ed to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And [illegible]n Wing and Peleg Huddlestone are appointed to see into the young mans clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting

And Joseph Earle son of John Earle of Swansey and Eunice Hathaway daughter of Richard Hathaway did lay their intention of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And we understand that William Wood hath given the Comtee encouragement that he will make Satisfaction to the Friend in Pennsylvania.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends forty shillings which with the forty shillings that the women brought in makes 4 pounds.

Joseph Tucker and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to attend the quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

And this Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers the sum of 4-10-00 for the last half year's keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 11th month 1746

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet Christopher Gifford and Jonathan Wood present.

1746. Benjamin Wing and Peleg Huddlestone give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder Jonathan Sisson's intended marriage.

Jonathan Sisson and Hannah Howland did appear at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order of Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Peleg Huddlestone and Benjamin Wing are appointed to see the marriage consummated in the above said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Earle and Eunice Hathaway had their answer in like manner and John Howland and Henry Headly are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

Thomas Smith and Stephen Willcock and James Barker are appointed to make up the monthly meeting's accounts with the Treasurer.

The Friends appointed to see William Barker's marriage consummated signify that it was performed in good order.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 12th month 174 6/7

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Edward Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see Jonathan Sissin's and Hannah Howland's and Joseph Earle's and Eunice Hathaway's marriages consummated signify that they were orderly accomplished.

And Richard Gifford and Elisabeth Cornell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting as did also Joshua Lapham and Hannah Shearman and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answers. And Nathaniel Potter and Edward Cornell and John Russell and Peleg Smith are appointed to inquire concerning the young men's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer not having done it, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the first month 174 6/7

Aponeganset meeting called — John Howland and James Barker present. For Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Benjamin Shearman.

And Richard Gifford and Elisabeth Cornell and Joshua Lapham and Hannah Shearman appeared at this meeting for their answers. And their answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing our good

1747. order in the consummation thereof. And Nathaniel Potter and Edward Cornell and John Russell and Peleg Smith are appointed to see their marriage solemnized and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning a settlement with the Treasurer not being finished it is referred to the next monthly meeting

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends 2^{l} 18^{s} 0^{d}

And whereas there hath been a scandalous report of Timothy Ricketson which he hath never cleared himself of though often requested by Friends to do it therefore for the clearing of the Truth which we profess it is the mind of this meeting that a condemnation should go forth against him. And this meeting appoints Thomas Smith and Isaac Smith to draw it up and bring it to the next monthly meeting, and also to draw up another against Joseph Havens

And this meeting appoints James Barker and Joseph Tucker with John Russell to be overseers of the burying ground. And Joseph Tripp, Jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford to be overseers of ye burying ground at Acoaxet and for Acushnet, Benjamin Allen, Joseph Russell and Jacob Taber.

It was discoursed at this meeting whether it might not be proper that there be another day added to our yearly meeting for the Ministers and Elders to meet together both for Aponeganset and Acoaxet which is referred to the consideration of ye monthly meeting next.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are James Barker, Adam Mott, Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith.

And whereas Benjamin Ricketson hath gone out of the way and married out of our good order, therefore this meeting appoints John Russell and Ebenezer Slocum to talk with him to see whether he can do anything to make satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 2d month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland present. For Acoaxet Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell.

James Tucker and Ruth Tucker and Job Anthony and Sarah Wing and John Walker and Margaret Mosher did all lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for answers. And Josiah Merrihew and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into James Tuckers and John Walkers clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting. And John Russell and Peleg Huddlestone are appointed to inquire concerning Job Anthonys clearness and make return accordingly.

And Benjamin Wing and Peleg Huddlestone have given this meeting an account that Jonathan Sissons and Hannah Howland's marriage was consummated in good order.

And John Russell and Peleg Smith give the like account concerning Joshua Laphams and Hannah Shearmans marriage.

The matter about making up with the Treasurer is still continued

There was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Joseph Havens and it is ordered that Isaac Smith should read it at the

1747. end of a first day meeting between this and the next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have all attended except Joseph Tucker and drawn an Epistle to it as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

There was also a condemnation signed at this meeting against Timothy Ricketson, and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it at the end of a first day meeting

And whereas Thomas Hathaway hath sent in a paper to this meeting, desiring to come under the care of Friends, - this meeting appoints John Howland, and Stephen Willcock to go to said Hathaway to see what sense they can have of his condition.

And whereas Peace Wood hath been in this our meeting and uttered things which we can no ways join with, - therefore this meeting appoints James Barker Peleg Smith, John Howland, Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and Isaac Howland and Ebenezer Slocum to talk with her and bring their report to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 3d month 1747.

Aponegansett meeting called John Howland and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Robert Mosher and James Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see into John Walkers and James Tuckers clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

And the Friends appointed to see into Job Anthony's clearness signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

James Tucker and Ruth Tucker, Job Anthony and Sarah Wing. John Walker and Margaret Mosher appeared at this meeting for their answer. And their answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing our good order in the accomplishment thereof. And Josiah Merrihew and Adam Mott are appointed to see John Walkers marriage solemnized in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting. And James Barker and John Howland are appointed to see James Tuckers marriage solemnized in like manner. And John Russell and Peleg Huddlestone are appointed to see Job Anthony's marriage solemnized as above said and make return to the monthly meeting next.

The Friends appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer have done it and there remains in the stock 4 pounds, thirteen shillings, old tenor. $(4^{£}-13^{s.}-00^{o})$

And Isaac Smith hath read Joseph Haven's and Timothy Ricketson's condemnations which are as followeth -

Whereas Joseph Havens of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one under the care of Friends the People called Quakers yet for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth hath given way to his own lustful inclinations so far as to be guilty of the Sin of fornication as appears by an Indian woman that was delivered of a bastard child in the house where he resided and laying it to him and he no wayes clearing himself of said scandal but immediately absconded so that Friends had no opportunity to deal with him.

Nevertheless for the clearing the blessed Truth and that all may know that we have no fellowship with such wicked and Detestible Practices we can do no less but give this forth as a public Testimony against it, denying him the said Joseph Havens to be one in unity with us the above said people, yet truly desiring that if it be the will of God he may come to a sight and sense of this his great evil and all other his outgoings and by unfeigned repentance find mercy with the Lord

Given forth at our monthly meeting held at Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 2d month 1747, and signed in and by order of said meeting by John Tucker - Clerk.

Whereas Timothy Ricketson son of Jonathan Ricketson of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol, in ye Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that was under the care of Friends yet as we apprehend through a Worldly and Covetous Disposition he hath fallen under a scandalous report of endeavoring to recover money that was due upon a bond which was before answered, and although Friends have taken great pains to get the matter cleared up, he denying the fact yet doth nothing to clear himself anywayes satisfactory as he hath often promised and Friends having sent to him and waited a long time, till we see no likelihood that he will ever do anything to clear the Truth of said reproach, we therefore can do no less for the clearing the same from such and suchlike fallacious practices but give forth a public Testimony against it, denying him the said Timothy Ricketson to be one in unity with us the People called Quakers, yet sincerly desiring that he may come to a sight of his outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 2d month 1747, and signed in and by order of said meeting by John Tucker Clerk

The matter concerning Benjamin Ricketson is referred to next monthly meeting

Thos Hathaway [illegible]

The Friends appointed to talk with Thomas Hathaway have brought in their report and also another paper signed by said Hathaway which this meeting accepts and he is to be under our care. And Jacob Taber is appointed to read said paper on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship at Acushnet meeting house.

And this meeting hath condescended that there should be a meeting held at Josiah Merrihew's or thereabouts as in time past for the six ensuing months

The Friends appointed to discourse with Peace Wood have done it but can have no satisfaction therefore they are still continued to labour further with her and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 5th day of ye 4th month 1747.

1747. Aponeganset meeting called Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet John Cornell and Benjamin Shearman.

The Friends appointed to see the orderly accomplishing of Job Anthonys and John Walker's marriages give an account that they were orderly consummated.

And the matter concerning Benjamin Ricketson is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting appoints Adam Mott, Thomas Smith and Joseph Russell to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

And this meeting is adjourned till this day week.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment on the 22d day of the 4th month 1747.

John Howland and James Barker give this meeting an account that James Tucker's and Ruth Tucker's marriage was consummated in order.

And Jacob Taber gives an account that he hath read Thomas Hathaways acknowledgement as ordered.

And the matter concerning Peace Wood is referred until the next monthly meeting.

Public Friends John Griffith David Farris The certificates of our traveling Friends John Griffith and David Farris were read to good satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meetinghouse in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 5th month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Christopher Gifford present.

The matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting

And the matter concerning Benjamin Ricketson is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to it as appointed

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

And Adam Mott, Abraham Tucker, Peleg Huddleston and Peleg Smith are chosen visitors for the year ensuing for Aponeganset. For Acushnet Jacob Taber and Benjamin Allen. And the choosing of visitors for Acoaxet is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers the

sumof -$^{£}$ 10^{s} 0^{d} old tenor for the last half years keeping the meeting house.
There was collected at this meeting $1^{£}$-18^{s}-04^{d}.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 6th month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called - present, James Barker and John Howland: and Othniel Tripp and Benjamin Shearman for Acoaxet

The matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to next monthly meeting.

And whereas Benjamin Ricketson hath done nothing to Friends satisfaction therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw up a condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting

And the Treasurer hath paid to the Overseers -$^{£}$-10^{s} 0^{d} as ordered.

The visitors chosen for Acoaxet for this year are Jonathan Wood, Othniel Tripp and Benjamin Shearman

Collected at this meeting for the use of Friends $1^{£}$-00^{s}-06^{d}

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 7th month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and James Barker present. For Acoaxet - Benjamin Shearman present.

And Francis Barker and Sarah Howland did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And David Gifford and Deborah Hart did likewise lay their intentions and were desired to wait accordingly.

And James Shearman and Isaac Smith are appointed to inquire into Francis Barker's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Eliashib Smith and Joseph Mosher are appointed to inquire into David Giffords clearness and make return accordingly.

There was collected at this meeting for Friends use $2^{£}$-07^{s}-10^{d}

And whereas Peace Wood hath made no satisfaction, therefore this meeting concludes to let the matter rest for some time.

And there was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Benjamin Ricketson and is as followeth. -

Whereas Benjamin Ricketson son of Jonathan Ricketson and Abigail his wife, of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that was under the care of Friends the People called Quakers, his Father and Mother both professing to be of our society, yet for want of a due regard to his education and the principles of Truth on himself, hath gone out and married in the common way of other people, for which breach of our good order, after all proper endeavor in Love to reclaim him, which hitherto hath seemed to prove ineffectual we can do no less according to our ancient good custom but give forth a condemnation against him denying him the said Benjamin Ricketson to be one in unity with us the aforesaid people, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and find mercy.

1747. Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 7th month 1747, and signed in and by order of the meeting by John Tucker - Clerk

And the visiters of Acoaxet have brought in their accounts in writing to this meeting of their Service in visiting Friends families.

And whereas this meeting is considerably in debt for building and repairing the meeting house, therefore this meeting desires the parties concerned to bring their accounts of the whole in order that it may be adjusted.

And this meeting is adjourned until the first sixth day in the 8th month next.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth by adjournment on the 2d day of ye 8th month 1747

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are James Barker, Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker. And they are to draw the Epistle to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 8th month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and John Howland present. For Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Benjamin Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to enquire into Francis Barkers and David Giffords clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

Francis Barker and Sarah Howland and David Gifford and Deborah Hart appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof And Eliashib Smith and Joseph Mosher and James Shearman and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriages consummated in the aforesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

Contribution for poor woman at Scituate. And this meeting hath at the request of the Quarterly meeting collected the sum of 5 pounds 12 shillings for a poor woman at Scituate and the money was delivered to Thomas Smith.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 9th month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called — John Howland and James Barker present - Acoaxet meeting called — Othniel Tripp and Benjamin Shearman present.

We have an account that Francis Barker and Sarah Howland and David Gifford and Deborah Hart their marriages were consummated in good order.

The Friends belonging to Acoaxet have collected and sent in to this meeting $\overset{£}{1}$-$\overset{s}{01}$-$\overset{d}{06}$ for the poor woman at Scituate which in all makes $\overset{£}{6}$-$\overset{s}{13}$-$\overset{d}{06}$ old tenor, and it is referred to yͤ next monthly meeting to see if we can do something more in that respect

And it is concluded at this meeting that the meeting of worship should be kept at Josiah Merrihew's for six months longer as heretofore.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21ˢᵗ day of the 10ᵗʰ month 1747.

Aponeganset meeting called – present, Stephen Willcock and Daniel Russell. For Acoaxet – Edward Cornell.

And Benjamin Howland and Anne Briggs did lay their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And William Anthony and John Russell of Mishoam are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Adam Mott, Jonathan Wood and Stephen Willcock are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{01}$-$\overset{d}{04}$

And Jabez Barker and James Shearman are appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are continued overseers for the meeting house for yͤ ensuing year.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay $\overset{£}{4}$-$\overset{s}{10}$-$\overset{d}{00}$ old tenor to John Shepherd for the last half year's keeping yͤ meeting house.

And as to the request of the Quarterly meeting concerning our collecting for Swansey meeting house, since things are so chargeable and difficult among ourselves we are not to do anything as yet.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18ᵗʰ day of yͤ 11ᵗʰ month $174\frac{7}{8}$.

Benjamin Howland and Anne Briggs appeared at this meeting for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And James Barker and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order.

And Joseph Brownell and Hannah Bowdish and Paul Russell and Elisabeth Bowdish and William Sisson and Lydia Potter, did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Jedediah Wood and Nathaniel Potter and Peleg Huddlestone and Benjamin King and Jabez Barker and James Shearman

1747. are appointed to make inquiry into the young men's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Wood and Stephen Willcock have attended the Quarterly meeting and Drawn an Epistle to ye same.

We received the Quarterly meeting Epistle which was read and well accepted.

Jabez Barker and James Shearman have made up accounts with the Treasurer and they find 3 pounds one shilling in the Stock.

And Nathaniel Potter appears for Acoaxet.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 12th month 174$\frac{7}{8}$

Aponeganset meeting called James Barker and Barnabas Howland present. For Acoaxet Robert Mosher and Edward Cornell.

There hath been inquiry made according to order concerning the three couples that laid their intentions of marriage before ye last monthly meeting. And we don't understand that there is anything appears to hinder their proceeding in their intended marriages.

And they appearing for their answer they had their answer they had their ~~answer~~ that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishing thereof.

And James Barker and John Howland and Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker and Jonathan Wood and Edward Cornell are appointed to see their marriages consummated in the aforesaid order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Jacob Mott and Anne West did lay their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Josiah Merrihew and James Shearman are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

James Barker and Stephen Willcock give this meeting an account that Benjamin Howland and Anne Briggs, their marriage was consummated in good order.

And whereas Anne Shaw, being a person that hath had her conversation among Friends, and being grown into years and not capable of helping herself as need requires, she doth therefore make her application to Friends to take the oversight of her. Therefore this meeting appoints John Howland, Peleg Smith and Stephen Willcock to take some account of what she has to help herself withal, and to see that she has a suitable place to reside at, and to have the oversight of all things necessary in the affair and render an account to the monthly meeting from time to time as the circumstances of things may alter.

1748 And we understand that the charge of the new building to the meeting house as to what belonged to John Howland is made up.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the first month 1748

Aponeganset meeting called — John Howland and Stephen Willcocks present. For Acoaxet Othniel Tripp and Jonathan Wood.

And Josiah Merrihew and James Shearman give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder Jacob Mott's proceeding in his intended marriage.

Jacob Mott and Anne West appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing our good order in the performance thereof. And John Howland and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Samuel Howland and Ruth Davel did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting as did also Benjamin Allen and Eliphal Slocum and Jonathan Smith and Silvia Howland, and were desired to wait for their answer till next monthly meeting. And James Shearman and Isaac Smith and Joseph Russell and John Howland and John Russell and William Anthony, are appointed to see into their clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Joseph Brownell's and Paul Russell's and William Sisson's marriages consummated give account to this meeting that they were decently accomplished.

Collected at this meeting for the use of Friends $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{00}$

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{17}-\overset{d}{00}$ old tenor to Stephen Willcock for brick that he procured about the meeting house

And John Howland, James Barker, Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 2d month 1748

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Othniel Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of the three couples that laid their intentions last monthly meeting give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

And they appearing for their answers, they had their answers that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order

1748. established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Isaac Smith and James Shearman are appointed to see Samuel Howland's and Ruth Davol's marriage accomplished in good order. And John Russell and Jabez Barker are appointed upon the same account for Benjamin Allen and Eliphal Slocum. And Peleg Smith and George Smith for Jonathan Smith and Silvia Howland and all to make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Jacob Mott's and Anne West's marriage solemnized make report that it was orderly performed

And three of ye Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to John Shepherd 2 pounds 8 shillings and 6 pence, old tenor, for something done about the meeting house which is paid.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 3d month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Edward Cornell.

The Friends appointed to see the three marriages solemnized give this meeting an account that they were orderly consummated.

And this meeting doth consent that there be a meeting held at Josiah Merrihew's or Adam Mott's or somewhere thereabouts on the first day of the week for the six ensuing months, except on the first day preceding the monthly meeting.

And whereas Jonathan Ricketson Jr. and Jabez Barker Jr. have married out of ye good order established among us, therefore this meeting orders Adam Mott and Isaac Smith to talk with said Barker to see whether he will condemn his disorder. And James Barker and Henry Headly are appointed to talk with Jonathan Ricketson upon ye same account

Friends impressed

And whereas there have been several Friends impressed to go to war, therefore this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker, Peleg Smith, Isaac Howland, James Barker and Jedediah Wood a Comtee. to act for the meeting in way as may be requisite until the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 4th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Benjamin Shearman and Edward Cornell present.

Friends imprisoned

And whereas there are several of our Friends now under confinement in Taunton Gaol for refusing to be concerned in warring and fighting, Thomas Smith and Peleg Smith are appointed to take the oversight of Barnabas Howland's and Seth Shearman's families, a see that things dont suffer too much by reason of their confinement. And Edward Cornell is appointed upon the like account for Othniel Tripp.

The matter concerning Jabez Barker Jur. and Jonathan Ricketson Jur. is referred to y^e next monthly meeting.

Public Friends Z Farris R Lewis, N Lewis.

Our Friends Zechariah Ferris and Robert Lewis and Nathaniel Lewis from Pennsylvania were at this meeting and their certificates were read to good satisfaction.

And the yearly meeting Epistle from London was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to y^e same are Jonathan Wood and Stephen Willcock.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends $4^{£}$ 08^{s}-0^{d} old tenor.

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay to John Shepherd 5 pounds old tenor for the last half years keeping the meeting house - which is done.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of y^e 5th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Benjamin Shearman and Jonathan Wood

There was a paper read at this meeting signed by Jonathan Ricketson Jur. which this meeting doth not accept for full satisfaction, therefore the matter is continued for some time.

And also Jabez Barker Jur. hath sent in a paper to this meeting concerning his disorderly marriage which this meeting accepts for satisfaction and it is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on y^e 18th of the 5th month 1748.

Loving Friends:

Whereas I have gone out of y^e good order established among Friends in marriage and also contrary to my Parents advice, which upon due consideration, if it was to do again, I think I should not do it, I do hereby acknowledge it to be disorderly, and desire that Friends would pass by my offence against them, and desire their care over me for the time to come.

Jabez Barker Jur.

And Jonathan Wood and Stephen Willcock have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And whereas there are 7 pounds old tenor due to Friends at Boston for charge and trouble in sending a letter tending to the relief of Friends, therefore Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to see that the money is paid as soon as may be with conveniency.

And this meeting in compliance to the advice of the Quarterly

1748 meeting has agreed to come to a subscription towards the upper meeting house in Westerly.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 6th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called — John Howland and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Jonathan Wood.

Giles Slocum and Selvia Russell and Peleg Slocum and Elisabeth Brown did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage, before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answers. And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to inquire into ye young mens clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Elizabeth Russell, daughter of James Russell: and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it at the end of a first day meeting.

The visitors chosen for this year are: for Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and John Mosher and for Aponeganset Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith.

And whereas this meeting thinks it proper to chose some Friends to have an inspection into the circumstances of our Friends that are prisoners at Taunton and to let this meeting know how they are and to provide such things for them as necessity shall require — therefore Joseph Mosher is appointed to see into that affair.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 19th day of the 7th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and James Barker present. For Acoaxet - Joseph Tripp and John Mosher

The Friends appointed to inquire into Giles and Peleg Slocums clearness give this meeting an account that they have done it, and find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

And Giles Slocum and Selvia Russell and Peleg Slocum and Elisabeth Brown appeared ~~appeared~~ at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Abraham Tucker and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see their marriage solemnized.

And Robert Barker and Joanna Russell and Walter Easton and Meribah Ricketson and William Howland and Rebeckah Peckham and William Bennet and Hannah Taber, did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting.

Hannah Peckham recd a member.

And Hannah Peckham wife of William Peckham hath signified to this meeting that she desired to come under our care — which is granted

And Isaac Smith hath read Elisabeth Russell's condemnation as appointed

And the widow Joanna Russell being about to marry, this meeting appoints Humphry Smith, Ebenezer Slocum and Abraham Tucker to inspect into the matter concerning the Estate that belonged to her first husband, that things may be settled so that no damage may occur, upon the account of her second marriage, to her children.

There was a certificate read at this meeting directed from the monthly meeting at Swansey, recommending John Davis and his wife to our care, which is accepted

And whereas Humphry Wady desires a certificate to the monthly meeting at Shrewsbury, this meeting appoints Thomas Smith and Stephen Willcock to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

There was collected at this meeting 2 pounds 3 shillings and 2 pence.

£ 12 collected for Westerly Meetinghouse

And there was collected by this meeting toward the meeting house at Westerly 12 pounds, old tenor.

And the visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account in writing, of their service in visiting Friends' families.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 8th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Edward Cornell present.

Robert Barker and Joanna Russell and Walter Easton and Meribah Ricketson and William Howland and Rebeckah Peckham and William Bennet and Hannah Taber came for their answer. And they had their answer that they might proceed to marry in the good order established amongst Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And John Howland and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see William Bennets and Hannah Tabers marriage consummated as also William Howlands and Rebeckah Peckhams in the aforesaid good order and make return to the next monthly meeting. And Stephen Willcock and Isaac Smith ares appointed to seed Robert Barkers and Joanna Russell's and Walter Easton's and Meribah Ricketsons marriage consummated in like manner and make returne to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Giles and Peleg Slocum's marriages give this meeting an account that they were orderly accomplished, though the young people that were married were not so orderly in their Apparel as they ought to be.

The Friends appointed to draw a certificate for Humphry Wady, signify that they find so many things in the way that

748 they could not do it, therefore this meeting orders the same Friends to write to said Wady to let him know the reason.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to ye same as appointed

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Peace Wood have done it and she hath made no satisfaction therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 9th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called ~ Nathaniel Potter and Jedediah Wood present.

John Howland and Abraham Tucker give this meeting an account that William Bennets and Hannah Tabers marriage hath been orderly consummated. And Stephen Willcock and Isaac Smith give the same account concerning Robert Barker and Joanna Russell and Walter Easton and Meriah Ricketson.

And this meeting hath agreed that there be a meeting kept at Josiah Merihews or Adam Motts on the first days of the week for this Winter Season.

And the matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting

And Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter are chosen visitors for Acoaxet and Adam Mott and Henry Headly are chosen visitors for that part of Aponeganset lying to the Westward of the meeting house river and to the Eastward of Acoaxet River.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 10th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Benjamin Shearman and Joseph Jennings present.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{11}$-$\overset{d}{04}$ old tenor.

And the matter concerning Peace Wood was referred until the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath received of the women 3 pounds, old tenor, to go towards keeping the meeting house.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the sweepers five pounds, old tenor, for the last half years keeping the meeting house.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are - Thomas Smith, Adam Mott, Stephen Willcock and Nathaniel Potter and to Draw an Epistle to the same

And it is reported at this meeting that William Rowlands and Rebekah Peckham's marriage hath been consummated at Acushnet meeting house

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed overseers of the meeting house for ye ensuing year

And the Treasurer hath paid the five pounds as ordered to the overseers.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 11th month 1748.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and Stephen Willcocks present Acoaxet meeting called - Edward Cornell and Jedediah Wood present.

Adam Mott and Nathaniel Potter have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed and there was an Epistle drawn and sent.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

The matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 12th month 1748

Aponeganset meeting called - Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Nathaniel Potter

And Increas Allen and Hannah Springer did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Holder Slocum and Simeon Gifford are appointed to see into the young mans clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Thomas Lewin and his wife have signified to this meeting that they are about to remove to the Nine Partners in the Government of New York, and desire a certificate and Friends assistance, therefore this meeting appoints Nathaniel Potter and Isaac Smith to inquire into the matter and do what is proper in that affair

And Joseph Tucker hath signified that he hath 24 shillings and 5 pence in his hands, money belonging to the monthly meeting which he is ordered to pay to the Treasurer. And the matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 1st month 1749

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and James Barker present. For Acoaxet Benjamin Sherman and Jonathan Wood.

And Simeon Gifford makes report to this meeting that there hath been inquiry made into Increas Allen's clearness and nothing hath been found to hinder his intended marriage.

And Increas Allen and Hannah Springer appeared at

1749. this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst friends in the accomplishment thereof. And John Russell and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Benjamin Shaw and Elisabeth Potter did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jonathan Wood and Benjamin Shearman are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker hath paid the 2^{s} - 5^{d} as ordered.

And there was collected at this meeting $3^{£}$-0^{s}-0^{d} old tenor.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same are, James Barker. Stephen Willcock and Adam Mott

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 7th day of the 2° month 1749

The visitors of Aponegansett village have given in their account in writing to the meeting of their service in visiting Friends families, the substance whereof is that they found things for the most part pretty well but in some places not so well, and that a separating, dividing spirit doth seem too much to predominate, which they endeavored to suppress and discourage.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 2d month 1749.

Aponeganset meeting called — John Howland Joseph Tucker present.
Acoaxet meeting called — John Cornell and Jonathan Wood present.

Jonathan Wood, Benjamin Shearman make report to this meeting that they have made inquiry into Benjamin Shaw's clearness and find nothing but that he is clear excepting apparel, in that not so orderly as they could desire.

And Benjamin Shaw and Elisabeth Potter appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And Jonathan Wood and John Cornell are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell makes report to this meeting that Increase Allen's and Hannah Springer's marriage was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done and Drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting hath been read at this meeting and well accepted

And whereas Benjamin Howland desires a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting at Swansey of his clearness respecting marriage and conversation this meeting appoints James Shearman and Isaac Smith to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

There was an account brought to this meeting from Thomas Hathaway that he hath received the sum of 4 pounds 11 shillings and 5 pence of Abraham Tucker for mending the Glass belonging to the meeting house

And whereas Abigail Kirby doth persist contrary to the advice of Friends, in way of Public Testimony, it is referred to the consideration of ye next monthly meeting

And also the matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th of the 3d month 1749.

Aponeganset meeting called— Peleg Smith present.– Acoaxet meeting called Jonathan Wood and John Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Shaw and Elisabeth Potter's marriage consummated gave this meeting an account that it was accomplished in reasonable good order.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Humphrey Wing and his wife and family they being about to remove to Shrewsbury

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Benjamin Howland.

And John Howland, Joseph Tucker and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to go in the meeting's behalf to Abigail Kirby and let her know that friends are grieved that she goes on contrary to their advice in bearing Public Testimony, and that if she doth persist therein she must be set aside.

And whereas this meeting hath been informed that Peace Wood hath publicly declared at meeting at Acoaxet that which tends much to break in the unity and concord among Friends. therefore this meeting appoints John Tucker, John Howland Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker to discourse with said Peace Wood and endeavor to shew her wherein she hath been out of the way and make return to the next monthly meeting

And this meeting hath granted there should be a meeting kept for six months longer at Josiah Merrihew's or Adam Mott's

Public Friends— Abm Farrington & John Sykes.

Our Worthy Friends Abraham Farrington and John Sykes were at this meeting from Westerly whose labour of love we find good unity with and their certificates were read to good satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are James Barker and Abraham Tucker and they are to draw an Epistle to the

1749. June.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 5th month 1749.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and James Barker present. Acoaxet meeting called Othniel Tripp present.

There was collected at this meeting 0 pounds 6 shillings and 2 pence.

And the matter concerning Peace Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay 30 shillings old tenor, to John Russell Jur. for the use of money that he lent to the monthly meeting, the Principal being paid by the yearly meeting.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers five pounds, old tenor, for the last half years keeping the meeting house.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle have not done it, they not being well.

The Quarterly meetings Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted

And the Treasurer hath paid the 5 pounds as ordered and also the 30 shillings to John Russell Jur.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 6th month 1749.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Howland and Joseph Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called - Christopher Gifford and Nathaniel Potter present.

And whereas there hath been much labour and pains bestowed upon Peace Wood to bring her to a sense of her outgoings, but all seem to work no effect with her, therefore it is the judgment of this meeting that she ought to be set aside and Isaac Smith and Peleg Smith are appointed to draw up a condemnation against her and bring it to the next monthly meeting

And this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith to see that no Disorderly person or such as are not under the care of

Friends do sit in our meetings of Discipline.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 7th month 1749

Aponeganset meeting called James Barker and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called Edward Cornell present

Of London Epistle

The yearly meeting Epistle from London having date the [illegible] month 1748, was read in this meeting and well approved.

Charles Slocum and Sarah Allen did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting as also did Philip Davel and Elisabeth Shearman and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answers. And Holder Slocum and John Russell are appointed to inquire concerning Charles Slocum's clearness as to marriage and conversation. And Nathaniel Potter and Isaac Smith are appointed in that affair for Philip Davel, and all to make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Peace Woods condemnation was brought to this meeting and John Tucker hath signed it by order of ye meeting.

And Edward Cornell is ordered to carry the sd condemnation and let her have the perusal of it and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Joseph Tucker, Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker, and they to draw an Epistle to the same.

And this meeting is adjourned till the [illegible] this meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of the 8th month 1749. —

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 8th month 1749.

Aponeganset meeting called — Isaac Howland and Stephen Willcock present. Acoaxet meeting called — Jonathan Wood and Edwd Cornell present.

Nathaniel Potter and Isaac Smith give this meeting an account that they have made enquiry into Philip Davel's clearness and find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

And John Russell gives this meeting an account that he finds nothing to hinder Charles Slocum's intended marriage.

And Charles Slocum and Sarah Allen and Philip Davel and Elisabeth Shearman appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof.

And John Russell and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see Charles Slocum and Sarah Allens marriage consummated in sd good order. And James Shearman and Isaac Smith

1749. are appointed to see Philip Davels and Elisabeth Shearman's marriage consummated in sd. good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Peace Wood's condemnation hath been read at this meeting and is as followeth. —

Peace Wood, a minister, disowned.

Whereas Peace Wood wife of Jonathan Wood of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, having been one that for many years hath made profession with us the People called Quakers and hath borne a public Testimony amongst us which hath been well approved of, yet in some time past, through a misled zeal she delivered many things at a monthly meeting in Aponeganset, which Friends could not join with, for which she was seasonably and tenderly dealt with time after time but she always justified it for which Friends proceeded to deny her Public Testimony. And since that at a marriage at Acoaxet she uttered publicly many things contrary to good order both against the monthly meeting and against particular Friends by name, declaring the marriage certificate to be such that no Friend in the order of God could sign it, which things do tend very much to Disturbance and Separation. And she having been tenderly and lovingly dealt with by said Friends in order to bring her to a sense of her outgoings, but she still to the great Grief of the honest hearted amongst us doth justify herself. We do think it proper to give forth this as a Testimony against it, Denying the sd. Peace Wood to be one in unity with us the aforesd. people, yet truly desiring that she may come to a sense of her outgoings and find mercy with the Lord.

Signed in and by order of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 7th month 1749, by John Tucker, Clerk.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it all but Peleg Smith and Drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed

Yearly Meeting Stock

And whereas it was signified in the Epistle that 8 pounds 10 shillings was our proportion toward the yearly meeting stock it is referred to the next monthly meeting, as is also the request of the monthly meeting at Pembroke towards the support of an Ancient Woman there.

Adam Mott, Henry Headly, Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith are continued visitors for Aponeganset and for that part of Acoaxet, eastward of Acoaxet River. And Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter are still continued visitors for Acoaxet.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 9th month 1749.

Aponeganset meeting called — James Barker present.
For Acoaxet Edward Cornell and Joseph Tripp Jur.

John Russell gives this meeting an account that he was at Charles Slocum's and Sarah Allen's marriage and saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

And James Shearman and Isaac Smith give this meeting an account that Philip Davis and Elizabeth Shearman's marriage was consummated in good order.

And Francis Allen and Mary Redington did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Henry Headly and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into Francis Allen's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The 8 pounds 10 shillings for the yearly meeting stock is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath given consent that there should be a meeting kept for six months longer at Josiah Merrihew's.

And Friends have agreed to come to a subscription for the Ancient Woman at Pembroke.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 10th month 1749.

Poneganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Joseph Tripp and Jedediah Wood present.

And Francis Allen and Mary Ridington appeared at this meeting for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Adam Mott and Henry Headly are appointed to see their marriage consummated in sd good order and make return to the next monthly meeting

And the 8 pounds 10 shillings towards the yearly meeting stock is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same are Henry Tucker, Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker.

And there was collected at this meeting 5 pounds for the use of Friends.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay 5 pounds, old tenor, to the overseers for keeping the meeting house the last half year.

And this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker, overseers of the meeting house for the year ensuing.

And the Treasurer hath paid ye 5 pounds as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 11th month 1749.

Dartmouth meeting called — John Lapham and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called — Jonathan Wood and Edward Cornell present.

1749. And Adam Mott makes report to this meeting that Francis Allen's and Mary Ridington's marriage was consummated in good order according to his judgment.

And Joshua Cornell and Susanna Gifford did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until our next monthly meeting for their answer. And Benjamin Wing and Jedediah Wood are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the 8 pounds 10 shillings toward the yearly meeting stock is referred to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and Draw ye Epistle have not done it by reason of the hardness of ye Season.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith have settled accounts with the Treasurer and find in the Stock $\overset{£}{0}-\overset{s}{01}-\overset{d}{04}$

And whereas David Shepherd desires a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting at Sandwich, of his clearness respecting marriage and conversation, this meeting therefore appoints Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker to make inquiry and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 12th month 1749.

Apuneganset meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called - Jedediah Wood present.

The Friends appointed to see into Joshua Cornell's clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Joshua Cornell and Susanna Gifford appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the solemnizing thereof. And Nathaniel Potter and Jedediah Wood are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Job Gifford and Martha Willcock did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. And John Russell and Jonathan Ricketson are appointed to see concerning Job Gifford's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting

And Isaac Kelly and Judith Shearman did also lay their intentions before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer till ye next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for David

1750. Shepherd.

And Josiah Akin hath signified to this meeting that he is about to remove with his family to the Oblong to live and desires a certificate to the monthly meeting where he is like to belong. And Isaac Smith and Daniel Russell are appointed to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath made a beginning towards a subscription for the yearly meeting stock and Henry Tucker hath taken it and is to bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas there hath been something mentioned concerning Friends suffering it is referred to next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 14th day of the 1st month 1749/50.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called Jonathan Wood and Joseph Tripp Jur. present.

Nathaniel Potter and Jedediah Wood give this meeting an account that Joshua Cornells and Susanna Giffords marriage hath been consummated in good order as far as they saw.

And Job Gifford and Martha Willcock appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And James Barker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Barnabas Howland and Penelope Allen did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Joseph Tucker Humphrey Smith and Ebenezer Slocum are appointed to see into Barnabas Howlands clearness and also endeavor to settle things that there be no wrong done to the widows children by her second marriage.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Josiah Akin.

The visitors of Aponeganset have given in their account to this meeting.

And the Subscription for the yearly meeting stock is finished and Henry Tucker is ordered to carry it to the Quarterly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting $3^{£}$-17^{s} 00^{d} old tenor, which was delivered to the Treasurer

Sufferers for Truth's sake.

And whereas Barnabas Howland, Othniel Tripp, Seth Shearman and William Mosher have suffered 12 months imprisonment for refusing to go to war, an account thereof is ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting and that the Sheriff of the County was very kind to them in the time of their confinement.

1750. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Henry Tucker, Joseph Tucker and Jonathan Wood and to Draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the second month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called — Isaac Howland and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called — Othniel Tripp and Joseph Brownell present.

The Friends appointed to see into Barnabas Howland's clearness and settling the widow's affairs bring in an account that it is done and they find nothing to hinder their intended marriage.

And Barnabas Howland and Penelope Allen appeared at this meeting for their answer as did Isaac Kelly and Judith Shearman, and they had their answers that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing our good order in the accomplishing of them.

And the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle as appointed.

And whereas Richard Gifford being about to marry out of the good order established amongst Friends, this meeting appoints Jedediah Wood and Edward Cornell to speak with said Gifford in order to persuade him to desist in that affair.

And John Russell and John Shepherd are appointed to see the marriages accomplished in good order.

And George Smith hath brought a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for allowing a disorderly marriage, which is referred.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 3d month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called — Edward Cornell and Jedediah Wood present.

And whereas Richard Gifford hath gone and married with his former wife's sister, contrary to our good order and also contrary to the Law of the Province, although he hath been from time to time laboured with not to proceed in that manner, therefore Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up a condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell gives an account to this meeting Barnabas Howland's and Penelope Allen's and Isaac Kelly's and Judith Shearman's marriages were consummated in good order according to his judgment.

Public Friends. Jno Scarborough Jas Daniel. Our Worthy Friends John Scarborough and James Daniel from Salem in West Jersey were at this meeting and the Labour of Love well accepted and their certificates were read to good satisfaction.

George Smith and his wife have given in a paper signifying their sorrow for allowing a marriage in their house contrary to the order among Friends which this meeting accepts for satisfaction.

Abm Tucker app'd an Elder.

And this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker an Elder in the room of James Barker, deceased.

And whereas Caleb Hathaway son of Richard Hathaway hath signified his desire of coming under our care this meeting appoints Adam Mott and Henry Headly to discourse with him concerning his compliance with Friends orders and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath concluded that there be a meeting kept at Josiah Merrihew's for six months longer, after the former manner.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 4th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called ~ Isaac Howland and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called ~ present Robert Mosher and Othniel Tripp.

There was a condemnation against Richard Gifford brought to this meeting which is referred to next monthly meeting.

Caleb Hathaway rec'd a memb.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Caleb Hathaway have done it and signify that he hath given them good satisfaction. Therefore it is the conclusion of this meeting he should be under our care for the time to come.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same are Henry Tucker, Nathaniel Potter and Adam Mott.

And there was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends $\overset{£}{2}$-$\overset{s}{16}$-$\overset{d}{0}$.

And whereas Stephen Willcock hath signified to this meeting that he lies under a Difficult Circumstance by reason of some Debts that lie against him, he not being in a capacity to satisfy the same, therefore he doth desire that Friends would contribute something to his necessity. Therefore this meeting appoints Humphry Smith, Ebenezer Slocum and Barnabas Howland to make enquiry into his affairs and bring an account to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas there hath been some debate in this meeting whether if first cousins marry together, it being contrary to our orders, that their condemning their offence may ever be received so as for them to come into unity again, it is referred to the Quarterly meeting.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay five pounds old tenor to the overseers for the last half year's keeping the meeting house

London Ep. read.

And the Epistle from London bearing date 1749 was read at this meeting to good satisfaction.

1750 At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 10th day of the 5th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called - Joseph Tripp and Benjamin Tripp present.

Public Friends. Ann Schoolfield, L Mendinghall. Our Friends Ann Schoolfield and Lydia Mendinghall were at this meeting from Pennsylvania and their Labour in the Truth was well accepted and their certificates read to good satisfaction.

And there was a condemnation signed at this meeting against Richard Gifford and Jedediah Wood is appointed to read it at the end of a First day meeting at Acoaxet between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker and Nathaniel Potter have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed and Drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

It was concluded at the Quarterly meeting that Friends might receive into unity again such first cousins that have broken our good order in marriage upon true repentance and suitable acknowledgement.

The Friends appointed to see into Stephen Wilcoxes affairs have brought in their account and it is the advice of this meeting that he should put himself in order to pay his just debts by selling his place or some other suitable method and the former Comtte to be helpful in assisting him with advice.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 6th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called ~ Joseph Tucker present.
Acoaxet meeting called - and none appeared.
And this meeting is adjourned until ye next 4th day come week

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 29th day of the 6th month 1750.

Samuel Howland, son of Isaac Howland and Elisabeth Butler did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Caleb Russell and Henry Headly are appointed to inquire into the young mans clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath received a certificate from the monthly meeting at Pembroke concerning Prince Barker and his wife recommending them to our care.

And Jedediah Wood hath read Richard Giffords condemnation as appointed, which is as followeth. -

Whereas Richard Gifford son of Christopher Gifford and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol, in the

Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England. Being one that had his education among Friends the people called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to his education and not regarding the wholesome orders established amongst Friends hath gone and married his former wifes sister although much pains hath been taken by Friends to persuade him to desist, yet contrary to all the good advice that hath been from time to time duly given him he hath wilfully proceeded to accomplish his desire in that affair. For which wilful and public offence we can do no less but give forth this as a public condemnation against him the sd. Richard Gifford denying him to be one in unity with us the aforesaid people yet truly desiring if it be the Lords Will that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and to unfeigned repentance.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 5th month 1750, and signed in and by order of sd. meeting by Isaac Smith.

And whereas John Wing and Hannah his wife have made acknowledgement to this meeting signifying their sorrow for their going out of order established amongst Friends in marriage which is accepted.

And whereas Luke Hart hath made application to this meeting he being under Difficult Circumstances and desires some help of Friends, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott and Henry Headly, Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith are continued visitors for the ensuing year. And Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter for Acoaxet

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th of the 7th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called - Isaac Howland and Isaac Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called — Jedediah Wood and Othniel Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to see into Samuel Howlands clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Samuel Howland and Elisabeth Butler appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Jabez Barker and Stephen Willcock are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting

And Philip Anthony and Mary Goddard did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer until the next monthly meeting.

1750. John Wing and Jemima Shepherd and John Sisson and Sibil Huddlestone did lay their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait accordingly.

And John Russell and Benjamin Wing are appointed to make inquiry into John Sissons and John Wings clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Samuel Chase hath put in a Paper to this meeting desiring that Friends might receive him into unity. Therefore this meeting appoints Jabez Barker, Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith and Ebenezer Slocum to talk with said Chase and inquire into his conversation and bring in their judgment and sense of the matter to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same are Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith.

There hath been considerable agitation at this meeting referring to Stephen Willcoxes case and it is the judgment of this meeting that as speedily as may be he should put himself in a way with the advice of the Comtee to pay his just debts and to take their advice in all matters of consequence relating to that affair

And as there was a motion made concerning the meetings coming to a Subscription for sd Willcock it was the sense of this meeting it is not proper.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 8th month 1750

Aponeganset meeting called — Adam Mott and Isaac Howland present. And for Acoaxet meeting Jonathan Wood.

And John Russell and Benjamin Wing report to this meeting that they have inquired into John Wings and John Sissons clearness as to marriage and conversation and find nothing to hinder their proceeding in their intended marriages.

And John Wing and Jemima Shepherd, John Sisson and Sibil Huddlestone, Philip Anthony and Mary Goddard all appeared at this meeting for their answers and their answer was that they might proceed to marry in the good order of Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And William Anthony and Peleg Smith are appointed to see Philip Anthonys and Mary Goddard's marriage consummated in the sd good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And John Russell and Benjamin Wing are appointed to see John Sissons and Sibil Huddlestone's marriage consummated as abovesd and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Tucker and Stephen Willcox are appointed to see John Wings and Jemima Shepherd's marriage consummated as aforesaid and make return as aforesaid.

And Jabez Barker and Stephen Willcock report to this meeting that they saw Samuel Howlands and Elisabeth Rutters marriage consummated as appointed.

The matter concerning Samuel Chase is referred to the next monthly meeting And Eliashib Smith, Josiah Merrihew, Joseph Mosher and Henry Headly are added to the former Comtte in the affair of Samuel Chase.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same have done it.

And this meeting has received an epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 9th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called - Jedediah Wood and Nathaniel Potter present.

The Friends appointed to see the three couples marriages consummated give an account that they were all consummated in good order.

And Nicholas Howland and Mary Sisson did lay their intention of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jonathan Wood and Edward Cornell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 2 pounds 12 shillings and 6 pence.

The matter concerning Samuel Chase is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Passage to Nantucket And this meeting orders the treasurer to pay to James Mitchell of Rhode Island, two and twenty shillings, old tenor, for some charge that he was at concerning Friends passage to Nantucket.

And this meeting doth agree that there be a meeting kept as heretofore at Josiah Merrihew's or thereabouts for 6 months longer.

And whereas Alice Smith hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying her sorrow for her outgoings, it is referred to the consideration of the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Peleg Smith hath signified to this meeting that he hath been at considerable charge and trouble referring to his trust concerning Ann Shaw, therefore he is desired to bring in his account to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 10th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called - Christopher Gifford and Jonathan Wood present.

The Friends appointed to see into Nicholas Howlands clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder

1750. his intended marriage.

And Nicholas Howland and Mary Sisson appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And John Russell and Benjamin Wing are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends six pounds, one shilling, old tenor.

And this meeting is adjourned until the youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of the 11th month 1750.

The matter concerning Samuel Chase is referred to the next monthly meeting. And the matter concerning Alice Smith is also referred.

And there were two papers sent in to this meeting (one by Abraham Slocum and his wife, the other by Susanna Russell) which are referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed overseers of the meeting house for the year ensuing.

And Abraham Tucker hath paid ten pounds, old tenor, to William Wood for keeping the meeting house.

Henry Tucker Adam Mott Joseph Tucker and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

Peleg Smith hath brought in his account to this meeting of his trouble relating to Anne Shaw, which is referred for consideration to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 11th month, 1750

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Edward Cornell and Jedediah Wood present.

Benjamin Wing gives this meeting an account that Nicholas Howland's marriage was consummated in good order.

And James Haden of Newport and Deborah Brown did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting as did also John Russell and Catharine Williams and were desired to wait for their answers until the next monthly meeting. And Joseph Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into John Russell's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same have done it as appointed.

And the paper that Susanna Russell sent in hath been read at this meeting and is accepted and she is ordered to read it or get somebody to read it at the end of a first day meeting

And Abraham Slocum's and Alice Smith's papers are referred to the next monthly meeting

And the matter concerning Samuel Chase is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 12th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called - Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Jonathan Wood and Othniel Tripp.

James Hayden and Deborah Brown appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. And Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the good order of Friends.

Saml. Chase recd as member.

And the Comttee hath brought in its result concerning Saml. Chase in writing and it is the conclusion of this meeting that he be under our care.

And whereas Caleb Russell desires some lines by way of certificate of his clearness in relation to marriage and conversation to the monthly meeting at Nantucket - therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker to inspect into the matter and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Abraham Slocum's and Alice Smith's papers are referred to the next monthly meeting

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 1st month 1750/51.

Aponeganset meeting called - Barnabas Howland and Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet Nathaniel Potter and Othniel Tripp present.

Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker give this meeting an account that James Hayden's and Deborah Brown's marriage hath been consummated in good order according to their observation.

And whereas John Chase hath had a scandalous accusation of being father to a bastard child, and the visitors have dealt with him from time to time, but he hath not taken any care as we can learn, to make any satisfaction by clearing himself or otherwise, therefore Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are appointed to talk with said Chase to see whether he will do anything in that affair and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate brought to this meeting for Caleb Russell, and Joseph Tucker is ordered to sign it in behalf of the monthly meeting.

1751. There were three papers read at this meeting, one from Alice Smith and one from Abram Slocum and his wife and one from William Smith and his wife, which are accepted and they ordered to be read, they being present, on a first day at the end of the meeting of worship.

And whereas Joseph Jenning hath requested a certificate of this meeting to the monthly meeting at the Oblong, for himself and family therefore this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter to make inquiry into their circumstances and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Robert Barclay's Catechism

And this monthly meeting hath concluded to take an Hundred of Robert Barclay's Catechisme.

And whereas Weston Kirby as we understand hath married or is about to marry out of the good order established among Friends, therefore this meeting appoints Othniel Tripp and Jedediah Wood to speak with said Kirby and give such advice as they think proper and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas Stoaks Potter son of Nathaniel Potter hath set up his Publishment out of ye order of Friends, this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood and Othniel Tripp to talk with him and bring their account to ye next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned until ye youth's meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this fifth day of ye 2d month 1751.

This meeting appoints Jonathan Wood, Joseph Tucker and Stephen Willcock to attend the Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

And our collection is referred till the next monthly meeting

And whereas Stephen Willcock hath made application to this meeting about setting a house upon Barrabas Earle's land, therefore this meeting appoints John Shepherd in the room of Ebenezer Slocum with the other two that were of the former Comtte to give such advice and instruction as they think proper in the affair.

The visitors being called – the visitors for Aponeganset have given in their account in writing and we have received no account from Acoaxet.

This meeting hath raised by way of Subscription 13 pounds one shilling.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 2d month 1751

Aponeganset meeting called – Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet – Jedediah Wood present.–

And Susanna Russell's paper hath been read as ordered and is as followeth -

To the monthly meeting of Friends etc.
These few lines may let you know the Exercise that I have been under on my own account, for not keeping to my education and the advice of Friends and the Testimony of Truth in my own heart, and have given way so far to ye temptations of ye enemy as to fall into the heinous sin of fornication as is made publick to the world, for which offence I am sorry and do condemn it with all my heart. Hoping God will forgive me I desire Friends would pass by my offences and let me remain under their care.
Dartmouth ye 19th of ye 9th month 1750.

Susanna Russell.

The Friends appointed to see into John Russells clearness respecting marriage and conversation signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And there was a certificate brought to this meeting, directed to us from ye monthly meeting at Shrewsbury signifying Catharine Williams her clearness and orderly conversation.

And John Russell and Catharine Williams came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof. And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Stukes Potter and Rebeckah Shaw did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jedediah Wood and Othniel Tripp are appointed to see into the young mans clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $2^{£}-14^{s}-0^{d}$ old tenor.

The Friends appointed to talk with Weston Kirby have done it and signify that he doth justify himself. Therefore Isaac Smith is ordered to draw a condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas the Friends appointed to talk with John Chase not having done it, this meeting appoints Adam Mott and Henry Hedly to talk with him to see if he hath any mind to make satisfaction.

Stephen Willcock hath attended ye Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to ye same.

And ye Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

And Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer.

And whereas Ebenezer Slocum being about to remove to Newport on Rhode Island to live doth request a certificate to the monthly meeting there, therefore this meeting appoints Peleg Smith and Daniel Russell to make inquiry into the

1751 affair and draw one if they think proper and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 3d month 1751.

For Aponeganset – Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet – Jedediah Wood and Othniel Tripp present.

And Stoakes Potter and Rebeckah Shaw came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst us in ye performance thereof. And Jedediah Wood and Othniel Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Job Carell and Mary Davis did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Othniel Tripp and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to see into ye young man's clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker hath signified to this meeting that John Russell and Catharine Williams their marriage was consummated in good order.

And whereas the widow Elizabeth Hammond hath written to this meeting desiring to come under the care of Friends, therefore this meeting appoints Adam Mott and Henry Headly to go with some women Friends to visit her and bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Chase hath been dealt with from time to time and we can find no inclination in him to clear himself to Friends' satisfaction, this meeting therefore appoints Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith to draw up a condemnation against him and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Ebenezer Slocum's certificate is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Weston Kirbys condemnation hath been read at this meeting and Joseph Tucker and Isaac Smith have signed it by order of the meeting, and it is as followeth –

Whereas Weston Kirby, son of Nathaniel Kirby deceased and Abigail his wife of Dartmouth, in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that hath been educated among Friends, his father and mother being both professors with us the People called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to his education, hath of late gone and married in the common way of other people, out of the good order established amongst us, although he hath been Seasonably and Lovingly dealt with, yet doth give no encouragement of making any satisfaction, – therefore this meeting thinks proper to give forth this as a Testimony against him, denying him the said Weston Kirby to be one in unity with us the above said People, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sight of his outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 3d month 1751, and signed in and by order of said meeting by

Joseph Tucker
Isaac Smith

And whereas the Friends appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer not having done it, they are continued to do it and bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting

And this meeting gives leave that there be a meeting kept as heretofore at Josiah Merrihews or thereabouts for one year longer

And whereas Joseph Brownell hath gone out and married out of ye good order of Friends therefore this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood and Edward Cornell to talk with him to see whether he will make any acknowledgement.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment on the 24th day of the 4th month 1751.

Henry Tucker Adam Mott, Henry Headly and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and Draw an Epistle to the same.

The Friends appointed to see into Job Cornells clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Job Cornell and Mary Davis appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Nathaniel Potter and Othniel Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Stokes Potters and Rebeckah Shaws marriage consummated, signify that it was done in good order.

The matter concerning the Widow Hammond is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker hath made up accounts with the Treasurer and there remains in ye Stock, seven pounds, one shilling and three pence.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Joseph Jennings and his family, they being removed to ye Oblong to live.

Public Friends Rebecca Harvey Jane Ellis

Our Worthy Friends Rebeckah Harvey and Jane Ellis from Pennsylvania were at this meeting and their certificates were

1751. read to good satisfaction.

And the yearly meetings Epistle was read in this meeting to good satisfaction.

And William Sanford Jun^r hath sent in some lines to this meeting signifying his sorrow for marrying out of the meeting, which this meeting accepts for satisfaction.

And the matter concerning Ebenezer Slocum's certificate is referred to y^e next monthly meeting, as is also the matter concerning Joseph Brownell and John Chase.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15^th day of y^e 5^th month 1751.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called — Othniel Tripp and Nathaniel Potter present.

The Friends appointed to see Job Cornell's and Mary Davis's marriage consummated give this meeting an account that it was orderly accomplished.

And Thomas Hicks and Elisabeth Hammond did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until y^e next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Benjamin Slocum and Phebe Wing did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till y^e next monthly meeting for their answer. And Abraham Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Tucker hath attended the Quarterly meeting, and there was an Epistle drawn and sent.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at this meeting and kindly accepted.

And whereas Joseph Brownell hath not as yet made satisfaction for his disorder, the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning John Chase is also referred.

And whereas Samuel Chase hath been at this meeting, desiring to come under the care and in unity with Friends, — this meeting agrees to it.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 9^th day of y^e 6^th month 1751.

Aponeganset meeting called. — Adam Mott and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — Jedediah Wood and Edward Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Benjamin Slocum's clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

The matter concerning Joseph Brownell is referred to the next monthly meeting.

—And Thomas Hicks and Elisabeth Hammond appeared at this meeting for their answer, as did also Benjamin Slocum and Phebe King and they had their answers that they might proceed to marry in the good order established amongst Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order in ye accomplishment thereof. And Adam Mott and John Shepherd are appointed to see Benjamin Slocums and Phebe Kings marriage solemnized in said good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And Joseph Mosher and Jeanna Mott did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till our next monthly meeting for their answer. And Eliashib Smith and Abraham Tucker are appointed to make enquiry into Joseph Moshers clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Deeds of Meeting House Lands.

And this meeting concludes to renew the Deeds of the meeting house lands for Acoaxet and Aponeganset and Acushnet. The Friends appointed to take ye Deeds are for Acoaxet, William Gifford and Benjamin Tripp and Joseph Tripp sons of Joseph Tripp. And for Aponeganset Nicholas Howland, Daniel Russell, David Smith and William Barker and for Acushnet Caleb Russell, Bartholomew Taber and Francis Allen and Benjamin Allen Jur.

And John Chases condemnation hath been read and signed by order of ye meeting by Isaac Smith and is as followeth —

Whereas John Chase, son of Nathaniel Chase and Abigail his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol, in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, having been under the care of Friends the People called Quakers and having fallen under some disagreeable reports and been under dealing upon that account and not clearing himself to Friends satisfaction, and also as a further aggravation hath of late married out of the good order established among Friends, for all which his Disorderly Proceedings we can do no less than set him aside, denying him the said John Chase to be in unity with us the above said People, yet sincerely desiring that he may come to a sight of his outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 6th month 1751, and signed in and by order of said meeting by Isaac Smith.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 7th month 1751.

Aponeganset meeting called Henry Tucker and William Barker present. And for Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Othniel Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to enquire into Joseph Moshers clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Joseph Mosher and Jeanna Mott appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed

1751. to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof. And Eliashib Smith and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in ye abovesaid good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Slocum's and Phebe Wing's marriage consummated in good order give this meeting an account that it was, according to their observation.

And Jonathan Barney and Hannah Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

There was collected at this meeting £4 12s 0d, old tenor.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Abraham Tucker, Peleg Smith and William Barker and to draw an Epistle to the same.

And ye matter concerning Joseph Brownell is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

Isaac Smith chosen Clerk

And Isaac Smith is chosen Clerk to ye monthly meeting for this year.

And Anne Almy hath sent in a paper to this meeting condemning her outgoings which is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

Stock for London Yearly Meeting

And there was collected eight pounds fourteen shillings old tenor towards the yearly meeting Stock at London.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 8th month 1751.

Aponeganset meeting called Joseph Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called Jonathan Wood and Jedediah Wood present.

And Abraham Tucker gives this meeting an account that Joseph Mosher's and Joanna Mott's marriage was consummated in good order.

And Jonathan Barney and Hannah Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and ye next monthly meeting observing ye good order established among Friends in ye performance thereof. And Stephen Willcock and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same have done it.

And ye Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

And ye matter concerning Joseph Brownell is referred to next monthly meeting.

Public Friend Lydia Soule

And our Friend Lydia Soule from ye Nine Partners in ye Government of New York was at this meeting and her certificate was read &

good satisfaction.

There was collected at this meeting 6 pounds 11 shillings, O. T.

And Stephen Willcox and David Smith are appointed to draw up a certificate for Lydia Soule.

And there hath been some discourse in this meeting concerning choosing visitors which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Tucker hath paid 6 pounds 10 shillings old tenor for ye last 1/2 years keeping ye meeting house.

And this meeting is adjourned until the fourth day after ye yearly meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 30th day of ye 8th month 1751.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Lydia Soule.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 9th month 1751.

Aponeganset meeting called Barnabas Howland and William Barker present. And for Acoaxet Nathl Potter and Edwd Cornell present.

And Stephen Willcock gives this meeting an account that Jonathan Hussey and Hannah Russell's marriage was consummated in good order.

And Benjamin Smith and Susanna Wood did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And John Russell and Daniel Russell are appointed to see into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Joseph Brownell hath been dealt with from time to time, but we can find no inclination in him to make up the matter, therefore this meeting appointed to draw up a condemnation against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And Rebekah Kirby's condemnation was brought to this meeting and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of ye meeting. And Edward Cornell is appointed to read it or get somebody to read it on a first day at the end of ye meeting for worship at Acoaxet meeting house and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The visitors chosen for this year are, for Aponeganset Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith, and for Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter.

And Holder Slocum is appointed to let Increase Allen Jur know that it is the mind of this meeting that he comply with the judgment of the comtee in the case between himself and Barnabas Howland.

And whereas Robert Tripp desires a few lines by way of certificate for himself and his family to the monthly meeting at

751 Smithfield. therefore this meeting appoints Edward Cornell and Jedediah Wood to do it.

And Ann Almys paper is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 10th month 1751.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — James Cornell and Benjamin Smith present.

The Friends appointed to see into Benjamin Smiths clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Benjamin Smith and Susanna Wood appeared at this meeting for their answer and they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing our good order in ye accomplishment thereof. And James Shearman and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Rebeckah Kirbys condemnation hath been read according to order and is as followeth. —

Whereas Rebeckah Kirby, Daughter of Nathaniel Kirby, late of Dartmouth in ye County of Bristol, in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England. deceased and Abigail his wife., being one that hath had her education amongst us the People called Quakers, her father and mother being both Friends. but yet for want of keeping to her education and ye Spirit of Truth in herself hath given way to the insinuations of the Enemy. so far as to fall into the scandalous sin of fornication. And although timely care hath been taken to bring her to a sense of her outgoings, yet there appears no sign of Repentance. Therefore for ye clearing of ye Blessed Truth from such Enormities we can do no less but give forth this as a public testimony against her; denying her the said Rebeckah Kirby to be one in unity with us the aforesaid People, yet truly desiring that if it be the will of God she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings and find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting of men and women held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 9th month 1751, and signed by order of said meeting by, Isaac Smith, Clerk.

The matter concerning Increase Allen Jur. is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

Lands. And Edward Cornell and Daniel Russell are appointed to get ye Deeds of the Lands belonging to ye meeting. house finished

And Adam Mott and Henry [illegible] are appointed visitors with ye other two for Aponeganset.

There was collected at this meeting 4 pounds 3shillings O.T.

And this meeting accepts of Ann Almys acknowledgement for satisfaction and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it at some convenient time she being present.

Adam Mott, Abraham Tucker and Jonathan Wood. are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to ye same.

And Joseph Brownell's condemnation hath been read and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of ye monthly meeting and is as followeth —

Whereas Joseph Brownell of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one that hath made profession for these many years with us the People called Quakers, yet for want of [illegible] steady to his profession hath of late contrary to our good order married in the common way of other people, for which breach of our wholesome order we can do no other for the clearing of ye Blessed Truth but give forth this as a Testimony against him, having cleared ourselves in advice and counsel in that affair, and do deny him the said Joseph Brownell to be one in unity with us, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sense of his outgoing and find mercy

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 6th day of the 10th month 1751, and signed by order and in behalf of said meeting by Isaac Smith, Clerk.

And this meeting hath signed a certificate for Robert Tripp

And the Treasurer hath paid Wm Wood ye sum of 6 pounds and 10 shillings for the last ½ year keeping the meeting house

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 20th day of the 1st month 1752, (new style)

Aponeganset meeting called — John Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called — Christopher Gifford and Joseph Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Smiths and Susanna Woods marriage consummated give this meeting an account that it was orderly performed.

Increase Allen Junr was at this meeting and signifies that he takes up with the Comttee judgment relating to a case between himself and Barnabas Howland

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting, have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read at this meeting and well accepted.

And whereas it is reckoned proper that there should be three overseers to ye burying ground belonging to ye meeting of Friends at Aponeganset, this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker in ye room of James Barker deceased, with John Russell and Joseph Tucker for that service.

Jas Shearman Treasurer

And James Shearman is chosen Treasurer in ye room of Abraham Tucker.

And Joseph Tucker is appointed to make up accounts with the former Treasurer.

1752 At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 17th day of ye 3d month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called — Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called — Nathaniel Potter and William Gifford present.

And William Tripp and Lydia Shearman did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Nathaniel Potter and Jedediah Wood are appointed to make inquiry into the young mans clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And whereas Joshua Lapham is removed with his family to Smithfield in Rhode Island Government to live and doth desire a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting there, this meeting appoints Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith to make inquiry and draw one accordingly and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Shepherd and David Smith are chosen to settle with ye former Comtee relating to Ann Shaw

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 15th day of ye 3d month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called — Nathaniel Potter and Jonathan Wood present.

The Friends appointed to see into William Tripps clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And William Tripp and Lydia Shearman appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof And Isaac Smith and Henry Headly are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in ye above said order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Cornell and Priscilla Mosher did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer And Jonathan Wood and Jedediah Wood are appointed to inquire concerning the young mans clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker hath made up accounts with the former Treasurer, and there remains in the Stock 5 pounds 1 shilling and 3 pence

And Joshua Lapham had a certificate signed at this meeting.

And Stephen Willcock, Jonathan Wood, Nathaniel Potter, Henry Tucker and Jedediah Wood are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

Collected at this meeting 3£-8s-10d old tenor.

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay to Thomas Hathaway for glazing £8-15s-0d old tener.

Subscription for London Y. M.

And this meeting concludes to come to a subscription for the Yearly meeting Stock in London.

And this meeting is adjourned until the youths meeting next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3d day of ye 4th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet meeting — John Cornell and Edward Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see into Isaac Cornell's clearness give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Isaac Cornell and Priscilla Mosher appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing ye good order established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof. And Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in sd order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see William Tripps and Lydia Shearman's marriage consummated give this meeting an account that it was orderly accomplished.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same have done it, all but one.

The Treasurer not having paid ye money ordered to Thomas Hathaway, he is desired to do it between this and ye next monthly meeting.

And ye Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

The matter concerning Ann Shaw not being finished is referred to ye next monthly meeting

£12 for London Y Meeting

This meeting hath come to a further Subscription towards the London Yearly Meeting Stock and the sum subscribed is 12 pounds old tenor.

And whereas Samuel Tripp hath spoken for a certificate from this meeting to ye monthly meeting at Sandwich therefore this meeting appoints Joseph and Abraham Tucker to draw one if they find things clear and bring it to ye adjournment of this meeting

And this meeting is adjourned till the next fourth day come week

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment on the 15th of ye 4th month 1752.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Samuel Tripp

752 At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 5th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called — Jedediah Wood and Robert Mosher present

The Friends appointed to see Isaac Cornell's and Priscilla Mosher's marriage consummated give this meeting an account that it was orderly performed according to their judgment.

And the matter concerning Ann Shaw is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Daniel Wood son of Jonathan Wood, desires a few lines by way of certificate of his clearness as to marriage and conversation from this meeting to ye monthly meeting at Swansey. Therefore this meeting appoints Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell to make inquiry and if they find things clear, to draw one and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

And there was a paper presented to this meeting signed by William Wood Jur and Mary his wife signifying their sorrow for their outgoings, which is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 22d day of the 6th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called — James Seaman and Jonathan Ricketson present. — Acoaxet meeting called — none appeared.

Public Friend Wm Horne — Our Friend William Horne of Darby in Pennsylvania was at this meeting and his certificate was read to good satisfaction

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Daniel Wood.

And William Wood's and his wife's paper is referred to the next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Henry Tucker, Nathaniel Potter, Abraham Tucker, and Abraham Russell and they to draw an Epistle to the same.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends £2-19s-08d, old tenor.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 7th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Adam Mott present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Nathaniel Potter present.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted

London Epistle. — And we have received an Epistle from ye Yearly meeting in London bearing date ye 3d month 1751 which was read and kindly accepted.

And William Wood's and his wife's paper hath been considered and this meeting accepts of it for satisfaction, and desires that he would get some Friend to read it they being present at the end of ye meeting for worship on a first day.

And the matter concerning Ann Shaw is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting 5£ 03s 0d old tenor.

And whereas the Common Stable is out of repair this meeting appoints George Smith to take care and repair the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 8th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called - Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called - Nathaniel Potter and Samuel Tripp present.

And John Wood of Little Compton and Jerusha Tabor did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to inquire concerning John Wood's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And the Treasurer hath paid 7 pounds, old tenor, to John Shepherd for the last half years keeping the meeting house.

And whereas Abraham Slocum hath requested a few lines by way of certificate to ye monthly meeting at Rhode Island, this meeting appoints Isaac Howland and William Anthony to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And ye matter concerning Ann Shaw not being completed is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker, Peleg Smith and Daniel Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to ye same

1752. At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 10th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called - Jabez Barker and Smith present. Acoaxet Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see into John Woods clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And John Wood and Jerusha Taber appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in ye performance thereof. And Caleb Russell and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Philip Tripp and Sarah Wood did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell are appointed to enquire into ye young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The signing of Abraham Slocum's certificate is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker and Daniel Russell have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to ye same as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

Public Friend
Saml. Spencer

Our Friend Samuel Spencer of Abington in Pennsylvania was at this meeting whose Testimony and Labour of Love were well accepted and his certificate was read to good satisfaction.

And whereas John Lapham is about to remove to Providence to live and desires a certificate, therefore this meeting appoints Peleg Smith and George Smith to make inquiry into his circumstances and draw one accordingly.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 20th day of ye 11th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called - Christopher Gifford and Joseph Tripp Jur. present.

And Caleb Russell gives this meeting an account that John Wood and Jerusha Tabers marriage was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to see into Philip Tripps clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

And Philip Tripp and Sarah Wood appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing ye good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof.

And Prince Howland and Deborah Slocum did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to make inquiry into ye young mans clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting

And Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell are appointed to see Philip Tripps and Sarah Woods marriage consummated in ye above sd. good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath received two certificates, one for John Wing and another for his wife signed by the monthly meeting of Rhode Island recommending them to our care.

James Shearman hath paid to Thomas Hathaway £15-00 old tenor, as ordered.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for our travelling Friend Samuel Spencer and another for John Lapham.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 18th day of ye 12th month 1752.

Aponeganset meeting called ~ John Shepherd and Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet ~ Jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford present.

The Friends appointed to see Philip Tripps and Sarah Woods marriage solemnized make report that it was orderly accomplished.

And Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker give this meeting an account that they find nothing to hinder Prince Howlands intended marriage.

And Prince Howland and Deborah Slocum appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the good order established amongst Friends and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Russell and Deborah Hunt did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed to inquire into John Russells clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Hathaway and Lois Taber did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jonathan Hussey and Caleb Russell are appointed to make inquiry concerning the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting £6-05-04 old tenor.

1753 At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 1st month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called — John Shepherd and Daniel Russell present. For Acoaxet Jedediah Wood and William Gifford present.

The Friends appointed to inquire concerning Thomas Hathaway's clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And the Friends appointed upon ye same account for John Russell give an account that they find things clear.

And John Russell and Deborah Hunt and Thomas Hathaway and Lois Taber appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to marry in the good order established among Friends, in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith are appointed to see John Russell's and Deborah Hunt's marriage consummated in said order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey are appointed upon ye same account for Thomas Hathaway and Lois Taber and to make return as aforesaid.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same have done it as ordered.

And the Treasurer hath paid 7 pounds, old tenor to ye overseers.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 2d month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — Othniel Tripp and Christopher Gifford.

Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker give this meeting an account that Prince Howland's and Deborah Slocum's marriage was orderly consummated.

The Friends appointed to see John Russell's and Deborah Hunt's marriage solemnized make report that it was done in good order.

And Jonathan Hussey gives this meeting an account that Thomas Hathaway's and Lois Taber's marriage was consummated in good order.

And whereas it is thought necessary that our burying yard should be enlarged, this meeting appoints Henry Tucker, Abraham Tucker, James Shearman, Joseph Tucker and George Smith a Comtee to consider how it shall be done and to see that it is done.

And this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Adam Mott and Isaac Smith to view ye monthly meeting minutes in order that they may go on record.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 3d month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called — John Shepherd and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - John Russell and Edward Cornell present.

Isaac Smith clerk And Isaac Smith is chosen clerk to the monthly meeting for this year or until another be chosen in his room.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are ordered to make up the meetings accounts with the Treasurer.

The Friends appointed to view the minutes have done it and Isaac Smith is ordered to put them upon Record.

And whereas John Shepherd jur hath made application to this meeting for a certificate to ye monthly meeting at Sandwich of his clearness in relation to marriage and conversation, therefore this meeting appoints David Smith and Jonathan Hussey to make inquiry and draw one accordingly.

And ye Treasurer is ordered to pay to George Smith, eleven pounds old tenor for repairing the Common Stable.

There was collected at this meeting, ten pounds, four shillings and six pence, old tenor.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Peleg Smith, Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker and to draw an Epistle to ye same

And this meeting agrees that the meeting be held as usual at Josiah Merrihews or thereabouts for one year longer.

And the Treasurer hath paid the 11 pounds as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 4th month 1753.

A preparative meeting called - John Shepherd present. For Acoaxet - none appeared.

Benjamin Russell son of John Russell and Ann Smith did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Isaac Howland and William Anthony are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer have done it and find that he hath disbursed 12 shillings and 1 penny upon the meetings account and nothing in ye Stock.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to ye same as appointed.

The Friends appointed to draw John Shepherds certificate have done it and it is signed by order of this meeting.

The visitors chosen for this year are Abraham Tucker, Peleg Smith, Adam Mott and Henry Hedly

And whereas Ebenezer Shearman and his family are about to remove to ye Oblong or Nine Partners to dwell and desire a certificate, this meeting appoints David Smith and Jonathan Hussey to make inquiry and see whether matters are clear and draw one accordingly

The choosing visitors for Acoaxet is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

1753. And whereas there hath been a scandalous report spread abroad concerning John Wing and his wife, this meeting appoints Isaac Howland, James Shearman, Abraham Tucker, Peleg Smith, Daniel Russell and Caleb Russell to inquire into ye matter and make report to ye next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 2d day of the 5th month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called - Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Christopher Gifford and Jedediah Wood.

And Benjamin Russell and Ann Smith appeared at this meeting for their answer and things appearing clear they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishing thereof. And William Anthony and Barnabas Howland are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Josiah Wood and Hannah Tucker did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jabez Barker and John Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate brought and signed at this meeting for Ebenezer Shearman.

The choosing visitors for Acoaxet is referred to ye next monthly meeting

And Abraham Howland hath sent a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his outgoing in marriage and apparel which is referred for further consideration.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye next fourth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 30th day of ye 5th month 1753.

The Comtee appointed to bring their report concerning John Wing and his wife have done it, and it is the judgment of this meeting that there ought to go forth a public condemnation against him and Mary Wing wife of said John Wing. And Jabez Barker and James Shearman are ordered to do it and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friend held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 6th month 1753

Aponeganset meeting called - Peleg Smith and Stephen Willcock present. For Acoaxet - none appeared by appointment.

Josiah Wood and Hannah Tucker appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, Observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Jabez Barker and Wm Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Tabor and Sarah Walker did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Abraham Russell and Caleb Russell are appointed to make inquiry into John Tabors clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Russells and Ann Smiths marriage consummated give this meeting an account that it was done according to good order.

And ye choosing visitors for Acoaxet is referred to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 4£-02s-04d old tenor.

The prosecution of Friends Judgement against Mary Wing is suspended by reason of a paper she sent in which, Friends not thinking full enough, this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood, Stephen Willcock and George Smith to go to said Mary Wing to see if she can sincerely acknowledge according to the tenor of ye Judgment of ye Committee and also to endeavor that John Wing do something to satisfy Friends according to the tenor of ye aforesd judgement.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to Daniel Russell 1£-10s-00d old tenor.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye youths' meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 9th day of ye 7th month 1753.

Benj Smith, Stephen Willcock, John Russell and Abraham Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

And Mary Wing hath sent in a Paper to this meeting which we think full enough to answer ye Judgment of ye Comttee. But it is thought proper that she should condemn her endeavoring to cover the things which she has now confessed

And the matter concerning John Wing is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 7th month 1753.

Aponegansett meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Nathaniel Potter present, and Jedediah Wood.

John Russell gives this meeting an account that Josiah Woods and Hannah Tuckers marriage was consummated in good order.

The choosing visitors for Acoaxet is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it, all except Stephen Willcock and drawn an Epistle to the

1753 same as ordered

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read in this meeting and well accepted. And as to the matter mentioned in the Epistle concerning Kingston meeting house, it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

London Epistle. And the Yearly meeting Epistle from London dated 1752 was read in this meeting and kindly accepted.

And John Ricketson and his wife have sent in a paper to this meeting signifying their sorrow for their disorderly proceeding in marriage which is referred for further consideration.

And Mary Wing hath sent in a paper to this meeting confessing her outgoings which this meeting orders to be read publickly at ye end of first day meeting for worship: And it is concluded that Friends do not receive her in full unity but to suspend the matter till we have some further proof of her sincerity.

And the matter concerning John Wing is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And John Taber and Sarah Walker appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Abraham Tucker and Caleb Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated.

And Humphry Smith is ordered to let Jonathan Nichols know the proceedings of our monthly meeting with Mary Wing.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 8th month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called Isaac Howland and George Smith present. For Acoaxet ~ Jedediah Wood and Othniel Tripp.

And Othniel Tripp and Nathaniel Potter are chosen visitors for Acoaxet.

And as to the matter concerning a subscription for Kingston meeting house it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Mary Wing's paper hath been read as ordered and is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 7th month 1753.

Respected Friends, and others whom it may concern:

These are to inform that although I have had my education among Friends, yet by giving way to a craving mind, have been too far misled so as to be guilty of altering a receipt given by Jonathan Nichols from sixteen to sixty pounds and altering ye book to make it agree wth ye Receipt: and have endeavored to evade and cover ye same which has brought a scandal upon myself and my Friends, for which unwise management I am heartily sorry and do condemn it, hoping God may forgive me and Friends pass it by and I still to remain under their care ~ Mary Wing

It was concluded by the said monthly meeting that although she hath given in the foregoing paper that we do not receive her as yet as a Friend in unity, that is full unity, so yet but suspend the matter till we have some further proof of her sincerity.

And Ann Almys paper of acknowledgement hath been read

Caleb Russell gives this meeting an account that John Laber's marriage was consummated in good order.

And John Ricketson and his wife and Abraham Howland and William Mosher have sent in papers condemning their outgoings in marrying out of the order of Friends, which have been read and this meeting accepts them and they is to be under the care of this meeting.

And the matter concerning John Wing is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 9th month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called Adam Mott present. Accoaxet - Jonathan Wood and Nathaniel Potter.

And Daniel Wing and Lydia Shepherd did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And John Russell and Jabez Barker are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 5£-06s-06d old tenor.

Kingston
Mtg House

There was 10£-13s-00d old tenor, subscribed at this meeting towards the charge of Kingston meeting house.

And ye Treasurer is ordered to pay 7 pounds, old tenor, to John Shepherd for the last half year keeping the meeting house.

And whereas John Wing hath been under dealing and Friends have taken great pains with him and he doth not make satisfaction, therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw up a paper of Denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker and Jonathan Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to draw an Epistle to the same.

And the visitors were called upon but no account was ready.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 15th day of ye 10th month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called John Shepherd and Isaac Smith present. Accoaxet meeting called - and none appeared by appointment.

Daniel Wing and Lydia Shepherd came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing ye good-

1753 order among Friends in the performance thereof.

And Soloman Hoxie of Sandwich and Jemima Shearman did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till y^e next monthly meeting for their answer.

And John Russell and Jabez Barker are appointed to see Daniel Wings marriage consummated and make report to y^e monthly meeting next.

And y^e Treasurer hath paid 7 pounds, old tenor, to John Shepherd as ordered.

And Humphry Smith signifies that he has read the paper that Mary Wing sent in, to Jonathan Nickols and said Nickols desires a copy of it which is left to y^e consideration of y^e next monthly meeting.

And y^e matter concerning John Wing is referred to y^e next monthly meeting.

And y^e Friends appointed to attend y^e Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same have done it

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted. And as to their request concerning our doing something towards repairing Warwick meeting house, it is left to the consideration of y^e next monthly meeting.

And whereas Benjamin Tripp, son of Joseph Tripp, being removed to Rhode Island to dwell with his family, desires a certificate from this meeting, therefore this meeting appoint Jedediah Wood and Christopher Gifford to draw one and bring it to y^e next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 11th month 1753.

Aponeganset meeting called — Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Jedediah Wood present.

And John Russell gives this meeting an account that he was at Daniel Wings and Lydia Shepherds marriage, and saw nothing but that it was orderly consummated

And it is the mind of this meeting that it is not proper that Jonathan Nickols should have a copy of Mary Wings paper as yet.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Benjamin Tripp.

And John Wing desires an appeal to y^e Quarterly meeting which is granted.

And as to the subscription for Warwick meeting house it is referred till y^e next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of y^e 12th month 1753.

Ponegansett meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - Christopher Gifford and James Cornell

Solomon Hoxie and Jemima Shearman came to this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof.

And Thomas Davis of Freetown and Hannah Wood, widow of John Wood late of Dartmouth deceased, and Isaac Wood and Ruth Barker did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answers. And Christopher Gifford and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to see into Isaac Wood's clearness and make report to ye next monthly meeting

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay to John Shepherd 10 pounds 10 shillings, old tenor.

And Humphrey Smith, Edward Cornell and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to see into ye widow Hannah Wood's circumstances, whether there be likely to happen any Damage to her children by her second marriage.

There was collected at this meeting 13£ old tenor.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see Solomon Hoxie's and Jemima Shearman's marriage consummated and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye youths' meeting

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 1st day of the 1st month 1754

Abraham Tucker, Jonathan Wood, James Shearman and Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 1st month 1754.

Ponegansett meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith. For Acoaxet - Jedediah Wood and Edward Cornell

The Friends appointed to inquire into Isaac Wood's clearness, signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting have most of them attended it and drawn an Epistle to ye same.

And ye Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted.

Isaac Wood and Ruth Barker appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishing thereof. And Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Thomas Davis and Hannah Wood not coming for their answer it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And the Friends appointed to see Solomon Howies marriage solemnized signify that it was accomplished according to order.

The visitors chosen for Aponegansett for this year are Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith.

And the Treasurer hath paid £3-1s2 as ordered.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 2d month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell.

Joseph Tucker gives this meeting an account that Isaac Wood's and Ruth Barker's marriage was consummated in good order.

And Philip Trafford and Naomi Allen did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting as did also John Gidley and Susannah Tripp and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

And Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell are appointed to see into the young men's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Thomas Davis and Hannah Wood not coming for their answer, it is referred to next monthly meeting.

And whereas there was a complaint brought in to this meeting by the visitors concerning John Wing's charge against Thomas Briggs; that said Briggs had spoken falsely and he could prove it, and the visitors have laboured with him ye said Wing to make out his charge or suitable acknowledgement, which he doth refuse or neglect to do, therefore this meeting appoints Holder Slocum, Benjamin Howland, William Barker, Nathaniel Howland and Paul Russell to discourse with said Wing to see what he will do in the affair. And they also to labour with him to a sense and acknowledgement of his harsh, rough and disorderly speeches and behavior in ye monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 3d month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Robert Mosher and Philip Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to see into Philip Traffords and John Gidleys clearness signify that they find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

And Philip Trafford and Naomy Allen and John Gidley and Susannah Tripp appeared at this meeting desiring their answers and their answer was that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof.

And Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Jacob Taber jr and Lydia Howland did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Abraham Russell and Caleb Russell are appointed to inquire into the young mans clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Thomas Davis and Hannah Wood not coming for their answer it is referred to next monthly meeting.

Subscription to repair Warwick Mtg house.

There was raised and brought into this meeting a subscription of 22 pounds 3 shillings for repairing Warwick meeting house. And Joseph Tucker hath received it and is ordered to carry it to ye Quarterly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Adam Mott, Joseph Tucker, and William Barker and they to draw an Epistle to the same.

And this meeting is adjourned to the youths' meeting.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment on the [illegible]th day of the 4th month 1754.

And whereas John Wing has appealed from the judgment of this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith to go to the Quarterly meeting to answer to said appeal.

And the Comtee appointed to labour with John Wing have done it and brought their account that he hath no ways made out his charge against Thomas Briggs. Therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw up his denial and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 4th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Daniel Russell and Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Edward Cornell present

The Friends appointed to see Philip Trafford's and Naomy Allen's and John Gidley's and Susannah Tripp's marriages solemnized signify that it was done in good order.

And the Friends appointed to see into Jacob Taber's clearness signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Jacob Taber and Lydia Howland appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some con-

1754. venient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in ye performance thereof. And Abraham Tucker and Caleb Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker hath carried the Subscription as appointed and delivered it at the Quarterly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting have done it as ordered, and the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

And Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith have attended ye Quarterly meeting on the account of John Wing's appeal, but nothing is done in that affair by reason that John Wing could not attend it, by reason of ye indisposition of his family. Therefore the same Friends are still continued for that service to the next Quarterly meeting.

The Friends of Acoaxet have requested leave of this meeting to repair their meeting house which is granted.

And this meeting is adjourned until the next 4th day come week

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 24th of the 4th month 1754.

Thomas Davis and Hannah Wood appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Abraham Tucker and John Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye monthly meeting next.

And the matter concerning John Wing is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 5th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. And for Acoaxet — Jonathan Wood.

And Caleb Russell gives this meeting an account that Jacob Taber's and Lydia Howland's marriage was consummated in good order.

And Abraham Tucker and John Russell give this meeting an account that Thomas Davis's and Hannah Wood's marriage hath been solemnized according to order.

Movement for house at [illegible]

And whereas some Friends think it necessary that a meeting house be built near Josiah Merrihew's, this meeting appoints, Jonathan Wood, John Russell, Benjamin Wing, Peleg Smith and Caleb Russell a Comtee to go and have a right understanding of ye matter, and if they think it proper that one should be built, to conclude upon the place and dimensions of ye house and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

And Adam Mott and Henry Headly are chosen visitors for the year ensuing for that part of this village lying to the westward of Pawkumanset River.

And whereas John Wing hath desired an appeal from this meeting's judgment in the case between said Wing and Thomas Briggs it is granted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 6th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called - Thomas Smith and Jabez Barker present.

And this meeting is adjourned until the second 4th day of this instant

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment the [illegible]th day of ye 6th month 1754.

Acoaxet meeting called - Christopher Gifford present.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle are Abraham Tucker, Peleg Smith, Christopher Gifford and Nathaniel Potter.

Newtown House. And whereas this meeting thinks it proper that there be an addition to that Comtte that was appointed to see about building a meeting house near Josiah Merrihews, this meeting appoints Holder Slocum, Nathaniel Potter, David Smith and Benjamin Wing upon that account and to bring in their judgment to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 7th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called - Wm. Barker and Job Russell present. For Acoaxet none appeared.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn the Epistle as ordered.

Newtown. The Comtte appointed about the meeting house at New Town signify that they have picked upon a place near said Merrihew's and bounded it out in Josiah Merrihew's land, supposed to be about an acre which said Merrihew doth promise that he will give to Friends for that use. And David Smith John Russell ye 3d and Joseph Smith, Nathaniel Howland, Barnabas Mosher and Bartholomew Taber are appointed to take a Deed of the Land and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted

Warwick House. And this meeting concludes to come to a further subscription for Warwick meeting house

And we understand that the Quarterly meeting hath confirmed our judgment against John Wing

1754. And the yearly meeting Epistle from London was read in

London Epistle this meeting to good satisfaction.

There was collected at this meeting £4 - 10s old tenor.

And whereas we understand that Joseph Merrihew has married and not under the care of Friends and also had a child soon after marriage, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Mosher and Joseph Tucker to talk with him and bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

14 small books To be circulated And this meeting hath received 14 small books which are to go about and return to this monthly meeting every month.

And Isaac Smith is still continued to draw up John Wings denial and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 8th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Jonathan Wood and Ichabod Kirby.

And whereas Joseph Merrihew hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his outgoings, this meeting orders said Merrihew to read it or get somebody to read it, he being present, at the end of a meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Smith hath drawn up John Wings denial. And he hath sent in a paper to this meeting in consideration of which the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Ichabod Eady hath signified that he hath a desire to come under the care of Friends, this meeting appoints Jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford to talk with said Eady and see if he is willing to conform to Friends principles and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting £1-04s 07d old tenor

The Comtte appointed to take the Deed of ye Land to build a meeting house on near Josiah Merrihews, have done it.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 9th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Jonathan Wood

And Joseph Merrihews paper hath been read as ordered and is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 9th month 1754.

Well esteemed Friends:

These are to inform you of my misconduct, it being much out of good order. For although I have had my education among Friends yet through unwatchfulness have given way so far to the lusts of the flesh as to commit fornication, and have married out of ye order of Friends. All which hath brought a great scandal upon the blessed Truth that I have made profession of. Which great disorder I do heartily condemn and am sorry for and desire God may forgive me and Friends pass it by so far as to remain under their care.

Joseph Merrihew.

And whereas this meeting hath considered the matter concerning the paper that John Wing sent in to this meeting, it thinks proper that Joseph Tucker and Jonathan Wood and Abraham Tucker should go to said Wing to see if they can have a sense that he is sincere and also to see if he will add to said paper what they think proper.

Ichabod [illegible] The Friends appointed to talk with Ichabod Eady have done it and had pretty good satisfaction and this meeting concludes that he be under our care for the time to come.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting are Joseph Tucker, Peleg Smith, Jonathan Wood and John Russell, ye 2d.

There was collected at this meeting 3 pounds 1 shilling, old tenor.

And whereas Benjamin Howland desires a certificate of his clearness as to marriage and conversation to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island, therefore this meeting appoints George Smith and William Anthony to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

Subscription for Richmond and Warwick Mtg houses There was 17£-18 paid in it being the subscription for Richmond and Warwick meeting houses and it was delivered to John Russell to go to ye Quarterly meeting.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to John Shepherd 2 pounds and 10 shillings, old tenor.

And whereas we understand that Obadiah Mosher hath set up his publishment in order to marry out of the good order established among Friends, therefore this meeting orders Jonathan Wood, Christopher Gifford and Othniel Tripp to talk with said Obadiah and give him such advice as they think proper in the affair.

And the Treasurer hath paid the 2 pounds 10 shillings as ordered.

And this meeting is adjourned until ye youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of ye 10th month 1754.

£40.-10s for New-town house There was subscribed for the building of a meeting house at Newtown, four hundred and one pounds ten shillings old tenor. It is supposed that ye said House will cost 1000 pounds in Rhode Island currency. The house is to be thirty feet square and nine feet posts.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 10th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker present.

For Acoaxet — Jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford.

1754. And John Wing hath sent in a paper to this meeting, and it is the judgment of this meeting not to accept it for full satisfaction at present but let the matter rest a while.

Three of the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

And Hannah Briggs hath sent in a paper to this meeting condemning her disorderly marriage, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Jonathan Wood and Othniel Tripp are chosen visitors for Acoaxet for this year.

The Friends appointed to talk with Obadiah Mosher have done it, but he hath gone on and married out of order. Therefore Othniel Tripp is ordered to let him know that if he doth not do something to satisfy Friends at the next monthly meeting, that judgment must go forth against him

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Benjamin Howland, son of Isaac Howland

And this meeting appoints Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to take the care of doing something towards building the meeting house at Newtown, and go on with it as they think proper according to the Subscription.

Newtown.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 11th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called - John Russell and Nathaniel Bowdish present. For Acoaxet - John Mosher and Othniel Tripp.

The matter concerning Hannah Briggs is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Othniel Tripp signifies that he hath let Obadiah Mosher know the mind of the meeting and he doth not seem to incline to make satisfaction. Therefore this meeting appoints Isaac Smith to draw up a Paper of Denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

There were two certificates signed at this meeting. One for Mary More and Mary Weeks, and the other for Henry Chase, directed to the monthly meeting at Oblong or Nine Partners in the Government of New York.

Subscription for Richmond Mtg house

And this meeting hath agreed to come to a further subscription towards Richmond meeting house.

And there hath been considerable of agitation at this meeting concerning John Wing, and it is the result of this meeting that Isaac Smith should draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 12th month 1754.

Aponeganset meeting called - Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker present. Acoaxet - Christopher Gifford present.

And Benjamin Wing jun^r and Bathsheba Potter did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Joseph Tripp jun and James Cornell are appointed to see into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was a paper of denial brought to this meeting against Obadiah Mosher, which was read. And Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of the meeting.

And there was collected at this meeting seven pounds and shillings. old Rhode Island tenor.

The matter concerning Hannah Briggs is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are, Jonathan Wood, Joseph Tucker, William Sanford and Caleb Russell, and to draw an Epistle to the same.

Adam Mott Minute for service

And whereas Adam Mott hath signified that he hath thought of travelling with Nicholas Davis into the Jerseys, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and Isaac Smith to inquire into his circumstances and prepare a certificate for him if they find things clear.

And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are chosen overseers for the year ensuing.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to John Shepherd, the sum of eight pounds, 10 shillings, Rhode Island money, for the last half years keeping the meeting house and some work which he did about it.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20^th day of the first month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called Christopher Gifford and James Cornell present.

And this meeting hath accepted Hannah Briggs' paper and she to remain under our care.

And Benjamin Wing and Bathsheba Potter appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And James Cornell and Joseph Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said good order.

And Walter Cornell and Ruth Wood did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Christopher Gifford and Ichabod Kirby are appointed to inquire concerning the young man's clearness, and make

1755 return to the next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Wood and Caleb Russell have attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed, and drew an Epistle to the same. And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

And Isaac Smith is appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer.

And we understand that Abner Ricketson hath gone out of the way in several respects, enticing a young woman, contrary to her parents, so as to take her way without their consent and marry her before a Justice of the Peace. And not only so but had a child soon after marriage. And we also understand that John Ricketson was assisting in the affair, and went with him to the Justice when he went to be married, and was one that gave bond to indemnify the Justice.

And Gideon Howland, son of Barnabas Howland, hath sent in a paper to this meeting, signifying his sorrow for his outgoing and having a child soon after marriage which is referred for consideration

And James Shearman, Isaac Smith and George Smith are appointed to discourse with Abner Ricketson and John concerning their disorder abovesaid and make return to the next monthly meeting

And whereas Joseph Potter, son of Nathaniel Potter deceased, hath set up his publishment in order to marry out of the order of Friends, this meeting appoints Joseph Tripp and James Cornell to talk with him to see if he will do anything in order to reform and come amongst Friends.

And Isaac Smith hath received the sum in full of his demands for recording the monthly meeting minutes, it being $14^{£}$ 15^{s}-00^{d}, Rhode Island old tenor.

And William Barker and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to inquire into the conversation of John Wing of late since he hath sent in his last paper.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17^{th} day of the 2^{d} month 1755

Apponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - Francis Tripp and Joseph Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to see into Walter Cornell's clearness, signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Isaac Smith hath made up the meetings accounts with the Treasurer and there remains in the Stock 7^{s}-04^{d}

And James Cornell and Joseph Tripp signify that Benja^{n} Wing's and Bathsheba Potters marriage was consummated in pretty good order.

And Walter Cornell and Ruth Wood appeared at this meet ing for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Christopher Gifford and Joseph Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting

And John Ricketson hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his breach of order, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas we cannot find any reformation in Abner Ricketson, we judge it to be our duty to give forth a denial against him. And Isaac Smith is appointed to draw it and bring it to the next monthly meeting. And also said Abner's wife being under the same circumstance, Friends think proper that the denial should go out against them both.

The Friends appointed to talk with Joseph Potter have done it, yet he hath gone on and married out of our good order therefore Isaac Smith is ordered to clear our profession of him.

And whereas the Friends appointed to inquire into John Wing's conversation give an account to this meeting that is such as cannot be justified. Therefore this meeting thinks proper that a judgment should go forth against him, and appoints Isaac Smith to draw up something upon that account and bring it to the next monthly meeting

And whereas Stephen Willcock is under difficult circumstances in relation to land that he sold to John Wing, therefore this meeting appoints Humphry Smith to take such suitable measures as he may think proper in the case and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Kirby son of Ichabod Kirby hath set up his publishment in order to marry out of the good order established among Friends, therefore this meeting orders Christopher Gifford and Jedediah Wood to labour further with him the visitors having already done their duty in that affair.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 3d month 1755

Aponeganset meeting called Adam Mott present. For Acoaxet - John Mosher present.

The Friends appointed to see Walter Cornell's and Ruth Wood's marriage consummated, signify that it was performed in good order.

And this meeting hath further considered John Ricketson's paper and have accepted it for satisfaction.

And Abner Ricketson's and his wife's condemnation and Joseph Potter's paper were read at this meeting. And Joseph Tucker is appointed to read Abner Ricketson's and his wife's

1755. denial at the end of a meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

The visitors of Aponeganset village have given in an account of their service in visiting Friends' families which seemeth to be to good satisfaction.

And Ruth Anthony wife of John Anthony hath sent in a paper signifying her sorrow for her disorderly proceedings, desiring to remain under our care which this meeting accepts.

And Humphry Smith signifies that the case is gone against Stephen Willcock relating to John Wings affair. And Humphry Smith is still continued to do what he thinks proper in the case.

The Friends appointed to labour further with John Kirby not having done it are continued and to bring their account to the next monthly meeting

And Gideon Howland's paper hath been considered at this meeting and Friends do accept it. And he is to read it or get somebody to do it at the end of a meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting, he being present.

And Philip Trafford and his wife have sent in a paper to this meeting, condemning their outgoings which is referred.

And whereas John Wing hath sent in a paper which doth seem to be pretty well worded, therefore the meeting hath suspended the condemnation going forth against him one month longer to see whether his conversation shall prove agreeable.

And our collection is referred to the next monthly meeting

Adam's Mott's Minute — And this meeting hath signed a certificate for Adam Mott.

And this meeting is adjourned until the youth's meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of the 4th month 1755.

The choosing of visitors is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Joseph Tucker, Jonathan Wood, Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith. and they to draw the Epistle to ye same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 4th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. And for Acoaxet — Jedediah Wood present.

And Abner Nicholson's and his wife's denial hath been read as ordered and is as followeth —

And the Friends appointed to discourse with John Kirby signify that they have done it and he doth not seem to have any inclination to condemn it: therefore it is the mind of this meeting that a condemnation should go forth against him. And Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And Gideon Howland's paper hath been read according to order.

And there was collected at this meeting 14 pounds 5 shillings and 3 pence old tenor.

And whereas Lydia Kirby, daughter of Nathaniel Kirby deceased hath been guilty of having a bastard child, for which she hath been under dealing, and she no ways inclining to condemn it, it is the judgment of this meeting that a paper of denial should go forth against her. And Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up one and bring it to the next monthly meeting

And the matter concerning John Wing is referred to the next monthly meeting.—

And Daniel Russell and Isaac Smith are appointed to talk with Philip Trafford and see whether they can have any sense that he is sincere in condemning his outgoings

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it, all except Peleg Smith, and drawn the Epistle as ordered.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 5th month 1755.

Apponegansett meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet Jedediah Wood present.

And Thomas Cornell and Mary Russell did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting. And Jonathan Wood and Daniel Russell are appointed to see into Thomas Cornell's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Smith not having drawn John Kirby's denial he is continued to do it against next monthly meeting.

And there was a condemnation brought to this meeting against Lydia Kirby and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of this meeting. And John Mosher is appointed to read it on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship at Acoaxet meeting house.

And we understand that Peter Davel hath a mind to come under the care of Friends. Therefore Jonathan Wood and Othniel Tripp are appointed to go to his house and see further concerning him and his family.

And Friends have accepted of Philip Trafford's and his wife's acknowledgement, and he is ordered to read it or get somebody to read it, he being present at the end of a meeting for worship on a first day.

And the matter concerning John Wing is suspended a while longer.

1755. At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 6th month 1755.

James Shearman and Jonathan Hussey present.

And this meeting is adjourned till this day week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 23d day of the 6th month 1755.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Thomas Cornell's clearness make report to this meeting that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And John Mosher hath read Lydia Kirby's denial as appointed and is as followeth.—

And Thomas Cornell and Mary Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Peleg Smith and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers nine pounds Rhode Island currency for the last half year's keeping the meeting house.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Abraham Tucker, Abraham Russell, William Barker, and Daniel Russell and to draw an Epistle to ye same.

And Isaac Smith hath drawn John Kirby's denial which this meeting accepts. And Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of the meeting.

The matter concerning Peter Davel is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 7th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - Jonathan Wood and Ichabod Eady present.

And Daniel Russell gives this meeting an account that Thomas Cornell's and Mary Russell's marriage was consummated in good order.

And the Treasurer hath paid the 9 pounds to the overseers as ordered.

Three of the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn the Epistle as appointed.

And Philip Trafford's and his wife's paper hath been read as ordered.

Peter Davel

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London Ep.

And Friends having further considered the matter concerning Peter Davel, find freedom to accept him under our care.

And the yearly meeting Epistle from London hath been read in this meeting to good satisfaction.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read to this meetings satisfaction.

And Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith are appointed visiters for Aponeganset for this year. And William Barker and Nathaniel Howland are appointed to assist them.

And Jonathan Wood, Othniel Tripp, and Joseph Tripp are appointed visiters for Acoaxet.

Newtown

And Paul Russell and Nathaniel Howland are appointed to see into the affair of Newtown meeting house and what charges have arisen and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 8th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Joseph Tripp.

Timothy Gifford and Martha Tucker did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting, and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Holder Slocum and Daniel Russell are appointed to make inquiry into ye young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Newtown

And we understand that there are 155 pounds 11 shillings due upon account of ye charge of Newtown meeting house. And Humphry Smith is appointed to get in the Subscription for the same and pay out where it is due.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 9th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called — Isaac Howland and Abraham Tucker present. And for Acoaxet — Othniel Tripp and Jonathan Wood.

The Friends appointed to see into Timothy Giffords clearness signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

And Timothy Gifford and Martha Tucker appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing our good order in the accomplishing thereof. And Holder Slocum and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a paper of denial signed at this meeting

1755 against John Wing. And Isaac Smith is ordered to read it on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship at Aponeganset meeting house between this and the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Jonathan Wood, Peleg Smith and William Barker and they to draw an Epistle to ye same.

And the visitors have been called upon to give answer to some Queries recommended to us by the Quarterly meeting but were not able to give distinct and satisfactory answers. And they were likewise called upon to give an account of their service in visiting Friends families but they signify that they have no formal account.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 10th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet none appeared.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first day in the 11th month 1755.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of the 11th month 1755.

The Friends appointed to see into Timothy Giffords and Martha Tuckers marriage that it should be carried on in good order not being here it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Smith hath read John Wing's paper of denial and it is as followeth —

Whereas John Wing of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, and now resident in Rhode Island, being one that hath made profession with us the people called Quakers, yet for want of a watchful care over himself hath let himself into an undue liberty of discourse in particular in his saying that Samuel Hick was an old Rogue and he would indite him and also in saying that he gave his attest that he received a receipt signed by Jonathan Nichols for sixty pounds which hath proved to be false. Which things being of a scandalous nature and much labour hath been bestowed upon him to bring him to a sight of his outgoings, but nothing effectual hath been done by him to make satisfaction; therefore this monthly meeting's judgment was that a paper of denial ought to go forth against him. But upon his sending in some papers, the matter hath been suspended for some time for proof of his sincerity. But nothing to us appearing in that nature it is the judgment of this meeting that he ought to be set aside. And we do give this forth as a public testimony against him denying the said John Wing to be one in unity with us the aforesaid people, yet truly desiring that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and find mercy

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 15th of the 9th month 1755. and signed by order and in said meeting by

Isaac Smith Clerk

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same have done it as ordered.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

And our collection is referred to next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 11th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet meeting called - Ichabod Eady and Jedediah Wood present.

Daniel Russell signifies that Timothy Giffords and Martha Tuckers marriage was orderly consummated.

Meeting at Newtown

The Friends of Newtown meeting desire leave of this meeting to have a week day meeting settled amongst them, which this meeting agree to and that it be on each fifth day in every week except the fifth day preceding the monthly meeting, for the three winter months ensuing.

Returning minutes of Adam Mott.

Our Friend Adam Mott has returned from his religious visit to the westward and returned our certificate and also produced several certificates, from where his service hath been, to our good satisfaction.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends two pounds nineteen shillings, Rhode Island money.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 12th month 1755.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - Jonathan Wood and Christopher Gifford present.

And whereas Peleg Gifford is removed with his family to Wareham to dwell and desires a certificate to the monthly meeting at Sandwich, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and Nathaniel Howland to inquire into his circumstances and draw one and bring it to ye next monthly meeting if they think proper.

And whereas William Barker desires a certificate to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island in relation to marriage and conversation, therefore this meeting appoints the abovesaid two Friends to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The Aponeganset visitors being called upon they give an account that they have visited the greatest part of Friends families under their care and find things pretty well in some places. And where they found things amiss they gave such advice as they thought suitable. And also they have made answer to the

1756 Queries according to order which are recommended to the Quarterly meeting.

And the visiters for Acoaxet have been called upon, but their answer was that they had not done anything.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to ye same are Joseph Tucker, Adam Mott and John Russell Jun.

There was collected at this meeting for the use of Friends six pounds Rhode Island money.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the overseers nine pounds Rhode Island money for the last half years keeping the meeting house.

And this meeting orders; it being their mind that on monthly meeting days it might be better to meet at eleven of ye clock, that for the time to come Friends observe and meet at that time on monthly meeting days.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 1st month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - John Mosher and Joseph Tripp present.

The Friends appointed have drawn a certificate for Peleg Gifford and brought it to this meeting, which is signed as also another for Wm. Barker.

And Joseph Tucker and Adam Mott have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle as ordered.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

And the Treasurer has paid the nine pounds to the overseers as ordered.

And Benjamin Russell son of John ye 2d hath sent a paper to this meeting, concerning his paying money toward the wars, which is accepted.

And whereas Mary Slocum, daughter of Holder Slocum hath gone out of the way and married out of our good order, therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw or assist ye women Friends in drawing up a paper of denial against her and bring it to ye monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 2d month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - Jonathan Wood and Peter Davel present.

Jethro Hathaway [illegible]

And whereas Jethro Hathaway hath sent a paper in to this meeting, signifying his desire to be under ye care of Friends this meeting hath considered it and concluded that he may be under our care for the time to come.

There was a paper of denial brought to this meeting against Mary Slocum, and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of this meeting, and is ordered to read it at the end of a meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of ye 3d month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present For Acoaxet Jonathan Wood and Ichabod Eady present.

And Isaac Smith hath read Mary Slocum's now Tucker denial as appointed, and is as followeth.—

Whereas Mary Slocum now wife of William Tucker and daughter of Holder Slocum and Rebekah his wife of Dartmouth, in the County of Bristol in the Province of ye Massachusetts Bay, in New England, being one that hath had her education among Friends the People called Quakers, yet by giving way to her own evil inclinations hath kept company and married one very contrary to her Father's and Mother's consent and not only so, but hath had a child in a short time after marriage. And Friends having cleared themselves as to their duty in advising and dealing with her and no sign of repentance appearing, we can do no less for the clearing of the Blessed Truth from such obstinate and scandalous proceedings but give forth this as a public testimony against it, denying her the said Mary Tucker to be one in unity with us the abovesaid people, but truly desiring if it be the will of God, that she may come to a sense of her outgoings and unfeigned repentance.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 2d month 1756 and signed in and by order of said meeting by Isaac Smith, Clerk

And Gershom Smith and Phebe White did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And James Shearman and Daniel Russell are appointed to inquire into ye young man's clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

The visitors both of Aponeganset and Acoaxet have given in their accounts of their service in visiting Friends families and signify that where they found things not well they gave such advice as they thought most proper.

And the Queries have been read and answers given by the visitors, which are ordered to be carried to the Quarterly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Adam Mott Abraham Tucker, Jonathan Wood and Peleg Smith and to draw the Epistle to the same.

There is collected at this meeting five pounds ten shillings

1756 four pince, Rhode Island money.

And this meeting thinks proper to grant that there be still continued a week day meeting at Newtown as heretofore as long as the monthly meeting shall think proper. Newtown

And we understand that Christopher Gifford Jun^r hath made an attempt to lay his intentions of marriage before the preparative meeting at Acoaxet and was not admitted by reason of his wearing fashionable clothes. Therefore as we understand that he is about to marry from among Friends this meeting appoints Daniel Russell, Ichabod Eady and Joseph Tripp to speak with the young man and see if there be any hopes of reclaiming him.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19^th day of y^e 4^th month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called. Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet—Jonathan Wood and John Mosher present.

And Gershom Smith and Phebe White came to this meeting for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder, they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in y^e performance thereof. And Daniel Russell and Joseph Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the monthly meeting next.

And Samuel Wing and Elisabeth Barker and Deliverance Smith and Hannah Smith did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until y^e next monthly meeting for their answers. And Barnabas Howland and John Russell are appointed to inquire into Deliverance Smith's clearness. And Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are appointed to inquire into Samuel Wing's clearness and make report to y^e next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it, all except Abraham Tucker and drawn an Epistle to y^e same as appointed.

And Abiel Macomber and Rest Davel did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer. And John Tucker and Othniel Tripp are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to talk with Christopher Gifford have had no opportunity to do it except Ichabod Eady to whom he signified that he was off the mind of marrying among Friends, and we understand that he is married out of y^e unity of Friends and Peleg Huddlestone and Daniel Russell are appointed to discourse with said Gifford to see if he is willing to make any satisfaction for his disorder.

And whereas John Tucker hath signified to this meeting that he desires a certificate to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island, of his clearness as to marriage and conversation, therefore this meeting appoints James Shearman and Isaac Smith to make inquiry and draw one if they think fit.

And whereas Francis Tripp Jun.r had a desire to lay his intentions before this meeting, but Friends think it too much hurrying to be decent, therefore it is referred to ye next monthly meeting for consideration.

And Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith are ordered to make up this meetings accounts with the Treasurer.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 5th month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Shearman and George Smith present. For Acoaxet - Othniel Tripp and Joseph Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the three young mens clearness, that laid their intentions before the last monthly meeting signify that they find nothing to hinder their proceedings in marriage.

And Daniel Russell and Joseph Tripp give this meeting an account that Gershom Smiths and Phebe Whites marriage was consummated in good order.

And Deliverance Smith and Hannah Smith and Samuel King and Elizabeth Barker and Abiel Macomber and Rest Davel came to this meeting for their answers and each couple had their answer that they might proceed to marry in the good order established among Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. And the same Friends that were appointed to see into their clearness to see their marriages consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for John Tucker.

Jabez Barker and Isaac Smith have made up the monthly meetings accounts with the Treasurer, and there remains in the Stock six shillings and eleven pence Rhode Island old tenor.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it according to order.

The Friends appointed to talk with Christopher Gifford Jur. not having done it are still continued to do it and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Francis Tripp and Content Griffeth did lay their intention of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And

1756 Jedediah Wood and John Mosher are appointed to inquire into Francis Tripp's clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 22d day of the 6th month 1756.

Aponegansett meeting called James Shearman and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet Othniel Tripp and Jonathan Wood present.

The Friends appointed to see into Francis Tripp's clearness signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

And Francis Tripp and Content Griffeth appeared at this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishing thereof. And Peleg Smith and Barnabas Howland are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Christopher Davel and Mehitable Allen did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And the Friends appointed at the last monthly meeting to see the marriages solemnized signify that they were consummated in good order.

And whereas Christopher Davel spent the greatest part of his time last Winter hereawaye, Othniel Tripp and Joseph Tripp are appointed to make inquiry into his clearness and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Christopher Gifford jur. signify that they have done it and he seems to have no inclination to make satisfaction. Therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Tucker, Jonathan Wood and Peleg Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle.

And whereas Prince Barker desires a certificate for himself and family to the monthly meeting at Pembroke, therefore this meeting appoints Isaac Howland and Peleg Smith to draw one if they find it proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 7th month 1756.

Aponegansett meeting called — William Barker and John Russell present. For Acoaxet — Othniel Tripp and Jonathan Wood.

The Friends appointed to see into Francis Tripp's and Content Griffeth's marriage, that it was consummated in good order, signify that it was orderly performed.

And Christopher Davel and Mehitable Allen appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And John Russell and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

London Epistle

And the yearly meeting's Epistle from London was read at this meeting to good satisfaction.

And Peleg Smith hath attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn the Epistle as ordered.

And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting hath been read and well accepted.

And Christopher Giffords Junr paper of denial hath been read in this meeting and accepted and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of this meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Prince Barker.

And the choosing of visitors is referred till the next monthly meeting.

And Barnabas Howland, Caleb Russell and John Russell the 3d are appointed and added to the visitors of Aponeganset to give such proper advice and counsel as may be necessary, to such Friends as are brought into trouble upon the account of military affairs. And Peleg Huddlestone is appointed upon the same account for Acoaxet.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{6}.\ \overset{s}{10}-\overset{d}{0}$ Rhode Island. old tenor.

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay to the keeper of our meeting house 9 pounds Rhode Island tenor.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 8th month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and James Shearman present. For Acoaxet - Jonathan Wood and John Mosher present.

Daniel Russell makes report to this meeting that Christopher Davels and Mehitable Allen's marriage hath been consummated orderly.

The visitors appointed for this year are Abraham Tucker Peleg Smith, Nathaniel Howland and William Barker and for Acoaxet Jonathan Wood, Othniel Tripp, John Mosher and Joseph Tripp. And Adam Mott and Barnabas Howland are added and appointed as visitors with the other Aponeganset visitors.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 9th month 1756.

1756 Aponeganset meeting called — Adam Mott and John Russell present. For Acoaxet — John Mosher and Peter Davel

And Jedediah Allen and Eunice Wood did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer.

The 9 pounds Rhode Island currency that was ordered to be paid to Jonathan Hussey, is paid as ordered.

And Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell are appointed to see into Jedediah Allen's clearness and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Jonathan Wood, Joseph Tucker and John Mosher and they to draw an Epistle to the same.

Collected at this meeting 2 pounds 16 shillings and 10 pence Rhode Island currency.

And this meeting is adjourned until ye first sixth day in ye next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this first day of the 10th month 1756.

The visitors of Aponeganset being called upon signify that they have not made any progress in visiting Friends families this last quarter: Neither made answer to the Queries. Acoaxet visitors signify that they have visited Friends families and made answer to ye Queries.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on ye 18th day of ye 10th month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called — William Sanford and Henry Tripp present. Acoaxet meeting called — Christopher Gifford and Ichabod Eady present.

The Friends appointed to see into Jedediah Allen's clearness signify that things are not clear, therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle signify they have done it.

And Jedediah Allen hath sent two papers to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his disorders: in the first place for his being in a quarrel and wounding a man: secondly for his paying money towards maintaining war, which this meeting accepts. And the first is to be read publicly on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship he being present.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 11th month 1756.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and John Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called — Peter Davel and

John Macumber present.

The Friends appointed to see into Jedediah Allens clearness signify they know nothing but that things are clear.

And Jedediah Allen's paper hath been read as ordered.

And Jedediah Allen and Eunice Wood appeared at this meeting desiring their answer and their answer was that they might proceed in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And Daniel Russell and Philip Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated in the order above. and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Edward Wing Jur of Sandwich and Mehitable Russell, and William Anthony Jur and Sarah Shearman, and Jacob Russell and Phebe Willcock did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting. and were desired to wait until ye next monthly meeting for their answers. And William Sanford and William Barker are appointed to inquire into Jacob Russells clearness, and Isaac Howland and George Smith are appointed to see into Wm Anthonys clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Thomas of Oblong hath sent a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his outgoing when amongst us. which this meeting accepts for satisfaction. And Isaac Smith is ordered to read it on a first day at the end of a meeting between this and the next monthly meeting.

Returning minutes for publick Friend's
Benj Farris
Wm Russell
Phebe Farris
Mary Chase

And whereas we understand that Benjamin Farrest and William Russell and Phebe Farrest and Mary Chase having been upon a religious visit amongst us (they being Oblong Friends) desire certificates from this meeting to the meeting where they belong, therefore this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith to draw certificates for them and bring them to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 12th month 1750.

And this meeting is adjourned until the 29th day of this instant.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment on the 29th day of ye 12th month 1750.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and John Russell present. For Acoaxet Ichabod Eady.

And Edward Wing and Mehitable Russell and Jacob Russell and Phebe Willcock and William Anthony and Sarah Shearman appeared at this meeting for their answers and nothing appearing to hinder they had their answers that they might proceed to marry in the good order established among Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly

1757. meeting. And Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage, that is Jacob Russells and Phebe Willcocks consummated; and William Barker and William Sanford are appointed upon the same account for Edward Wing and Mehitable Russell; and George Smith and Barnabas Howland for William Anthony and Sarah Shearman; and all to make returns to the next monthly meeting.

And Daniel Russell gives this meeting an account that Jedediah Allens and Eunice Woods marriage was consummated in good order.

And Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith have drawn the certificates for our Oblong Friends, which this meeting approves and orders they should be signed.

There was collected at this meeting and paid to Jonathan Hussey for the last half years keeping the meeting house and some other small business about ye meeting house 11 pounds [illegible] shillings Rhode Island money

And whereas the women desire assistance of this meeting upon the account of Peleg Huddlestones daughter and William Sanfords daughter; therefore Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker are appointed upon that account.

And this meeting is adjourned until ye next sixth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 7th day of the first month 1757

The paper that Abraham Thomas sent in hath been read as ordered and is as followeth.—

Oblong the 9th of ye 10th month 1756.

To the monthly meeting of Friends in Dartmouth.

Whereas I have through unwatchfulness, violated my own conscience and dishonered the profession which I have made by falling into that grievous sin of fornication, also in keeping loose company, where I have been much exposed to temptation, especially in the excessive use of strong liquor, for which abovenamed evils or transgressions I have hope of forgiveness from the Lord and desire you my friends to pass by my offences against the Church and receive me into your Christian care and charity again which is much desired by me your friend — Abraham Thomas.

And here follows Jedediah Allens paper—

To the monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 11th day of the 10th month 1756.

These are to inform Friends of my misfortune in not keeping to Truth and my education in days past in my youth. I strayed away with the people of the world in the customs and fashions thereof and further at a certain time I happened to fall in with bad company and had a shameful quarrel with one of them and in said quarrel I wounded him much, though not mortally, which case was lamentable to me when past and to my friends. Which evils I can truly say I am sorry for and I desire I may never fall into the like again and I hope God will forgive me that I may find mercy. And I desire Friends to allow me to remain under their care while found in the way of well doing. as witness my hand Jedediah Allen.

And the visitors have been called upon to make answer to the Queries which they have done in writing. And this meeting orders that they should be sent to ye Quarterly meeting.

Ichabod Eady, Adam Mott, Nicholas Howland and Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to ye same.

And this meeting thinks proper that the minutes of the monthly meeting be perused in order that they may go on record. And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker with Isaac Smith are appointed upon that account.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 1st month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker and John Russell ye 3d present. Acoaxet meeting called - Joseph Smith and Joshua Cornell present.

The Friends appointed to see the three marriages consummated, signify that they were accomplished in good order.

And nothing being done as to assisting ye women mentioned at the last monthly meeting it is referred to the next.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting have done it all except Caleb Russell and drawn ye Epistle as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 2d month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Shearman and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet William Gifford present

And Benjamin Howland the son of Isaac Howland hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for paying money upon the account of his being impressed. But this meeting thinks it not full enough, therefore Paul Russell and Daniel Russell are to advise with him and bring in their judgment in the matter to the next monthly meeting.

Friends' Sufferings.

And it is thought proper by this meeting, that we have an account of the suffering of Friends upon the account of military services. Therefore all Friends who have been sufferers belonging to this meeting are desired to bring in their accounts to Peleg Smith, John Shepherd and David Smith of Aponeganset or to Thomas Hathaway and Bartholomew Taber of Acush

1757 net, or to John Mosher and Peter Davel of Acoaxet.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 3d month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet John Mosher and Joseph Tripp.

The matter concerning Benjamin Howland is referred to next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath received a paper signed by John Davis Jur. signifying his error for his disorderly marriage which this meeting accepts.

Adam Mott relig service. There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Adam Mott, he being about to visit Friends at Sandwich.

And William Macomber jur. hath sent in a paper to this meeting condemning his breach of order in paying money towards military affairs.

Collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{02}$-$\overset{d}{06}$ Rhode Island old tenor.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw ye Epistle are Josiah Tucker, Peleg Smith, Adam Mott and Caleb Russell.

And the visitors of Acoaxet have given in their account of their service in visiting Friends' families.

And this meeting is adjourned till ye first sixth day in ye next month.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held by adjournment on the first day of ye 4th month 1757

We have an account at this meeting that there hath been $\overset{£}{12}$-$\overset{s}{15}$-Province old tenor- gathered and sent to Pembroke according to the advice of ye Quarterly meeting

There was an account of the sufferings of Friends upon account of ye Militia which amounts to $\overset{£}{1982}$-$\overset{s}{18}$-$\overset{d}{00}$ Province money.

And there hath been a paper presented to this meeting signed by Christopher Slocum, condemning his paying money towards Military affairs.

The Queries have been read and answers made to them which are ordered to be sent to ye Quarterly meeting.

And Christopher Slocum's paper is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 4th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — Ichabod Eddy and John Macomber

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn the Epistle as ordered.

And this meeting hath received the Quarterly meetings Epistle which was read and well accepted.

And Christopher Slocum's Paper hath been read in this meeting and considered and accepted.

The Friends appointed to take the accounts of Friends' sufferings are still continued upon the same account.

There was a paper brought into this meeting signed by Abigail White condemning her outgoings, which is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Friends of Acushnet have desired to have a week Ordered day meeting settled among them, therefore this meeting agrees that there be a meeting kept there on the first and fourth fourth days in each month from this time till our next Fall meeting.

And this meeting orders Adam Mott and Joseph Tucker to assist the women in drawing up Mary Huddlestone's denial.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Benjamin Howland are still continued to do it.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 5th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called — Caleb Russell and John Russell ye 3d present. Acoaxet meeting called — Jonathan Wood and Joseph Tripp present.

And Abigail White's paper hath been read at this meeting and accepted. And Jonathan Wood is ordered to take it and let her know that she may be present when it is read. And it is to be read at Acoaxet meeting house on a first day at the end of a meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate read at this meeting directed from the monthly meeting at Portsmouth on Rhode Island concerning Benjamin Tripp and his wife and family — of their orderly conversation whilst amongst them and recommending them to our care — which this meeting accepts.

Daniel Russell is still continued to discourse with Benjamin Howland.

There was a paper of denial read at this meeting against Mary Huddlestone which is approved and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of this meeting and is ordered to read it on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

There was an account of Friends sufferings by

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Fines.

reason of their fines, that were taken upon the account of their being impressed. And Isaac Howland, Peleg Smith and William Anthony are appointed to view them and, where there is need, to correct them and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till y^{e} first fourth day in y^{e} next month.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held by adjournment on the 1st day of y^{e} 6th month 1757.

Fines upon Friends

There was an account of Friends' sufferings by reason of their fines taken from them upon the account of their being impressed in the years 1755 and 1756 and 1757 which amount to three hundred and eighty pounds and four pence lawful money which this meeting hath considered and allowed.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 6th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called - James Shearman and George Smith present. For Acoaxet - Jonathan Wood.

And Abigail White's paper hath been read as ordered.

We received a certificate at this meeting from the monthly meeting at Sandwich concerning Joseph King and his wife of their orderly conversation amongst them, recommending them to our care which this meeting accepts.

And whereas Mary Huddlestone's paper hath not been read, Isaac Smith is still continued to do it between this and y^{e} next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Macomber son of William Macomber Jun^{r} hath desired a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting at Oblong, therefore John Mosher and Othniel Tripp are appointed to inquire into his circumstances and draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle are, Jonathan Wood, Caleb Russell, William Barker and Benjamin Tripp

And whereas we understand that Abraham Thomas desires a certificate from this monthly meeting to the monthly meeting at the Oblong or Nine Partners, therefore this meeting orders Isaac Smith to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Committee on account of Friends Sufferings

And whereas it is thought proper at this meeting that there might be a Com^{tte} chosen to take an account of Friends sufferings upon the account of military affairs and consider whether it may be proper to exhibit a Petition to y^{e} General Court or to the Superior Court and do as they think proper in the affair - therefore this meeting appoints

Peleg Smith, Thomas Hathaway, Bartholomew Taber, Jethro Hathaway, Jabez Barker, Joseph Tucker, Joseph Gifford, David Smith, Daniel Russell and Giles Slocum a Com^{tte} in that affair.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18d day of the 7d month 1757 —

Aponegansot meeting called. James Shearman and John Russell present. For Acoaxet Ichabod Eady and Joseph Tripp.

And Mary Huddlestone's denial hath been read as ordered and is as followeth —

Whereas Mary Huddlestone, daughter of Peleg Huddlestone and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, hath had her education among the People called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to that pure principle - the Spirit of Truth - to be her director hath fallen into that foul sin of fornication as is evident by her being delivered of a bastard child and concealing who is the father of it. So that we can do no less than give this forth as a public testimony against her denying her the said Mary Huddlestone to be one in unity. Desiring that if it be the will of ye Lord that she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings and through unfeigned repentance find mercy with the Lord and so come into unity with us his people again.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 5th month 1757 and signed by order and in said meeting by — Isaac Smith, Clerk

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for John Macomber.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle have done it all except Caleb Russell.

London Epistles There were two Epistles from London Yearly Meeting read at this meeting to good satisfaction.

And the Epistle from ye Quarterly meeting hath been read to good satisfaction.

And this meeting hath signed a certificate for Abraham Thomas.

We understand that the Com^{tte} hath drawn a petition to the General Court at Boston and the same Com^{tte} is still continued to proceed in the affair as occasion may require.

And whereas Seth Allen lies under a scandalous report of being father to a bastard child - this meeting appoints Nicholas Howland, and Daniel Russell to discourse with him to see if he can clear himself or condemn what he has done amiss.

And whereas we understand that John Lawton hath paid money toward military service, this meeting ap-

1757 points Christopher Gifford and Peter Davel to show him that he hath gone contrary to our profession and ought to condemn ye same

And there was collected at this meeting £3-09s-04d.

And this meeting orders ye Treasurer to pay to ye Overseers two dollars for ye last half years keeping the meeting house.

And Isaac Smith is ordered to settle the accounts of the monthly meeting with James Shearman

And James Shearman hath paid ye two dollars.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 8th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell present. For Acoaxet John Mosher and Ichabod Eady.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Seth Allen not having had opportunity to do it are still continued to do it and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And the matter concerning John Lawton is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And Isaac Smith hath made up this meetings accounts with the Treasurer and there remains in ye stock 7 shillings and 11 pence Province old tenor.

The choosing of visitors is referred to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of ye 9th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called — Jonathan Hussey and Daniel Russell present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford and Peter Davel present.

The Friends appointed to discourse with John Lawton have done it and signify that he doth no ways condemn what he has done in paying money towards warring and fighting. Therefore John Mosher is ordered to let said Lawton know that if he doth persist in the thing (it being contrary to our principles) that Friends must proceed to deny him.

And William Anthony Jur and his wife have sent a paper into this meeting signifying their sorrow for their outgoings, in particular their having a child soon after marriage, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Peace Wood hath sent a paper to this meeting signifying her sorrow for breaking unity with Friends, which is referred to the next monthly meeting

And the choosing of visitors is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 7th of the

10th month 1757.

Abraham Tucker, Ichabod Eddy and Jo: Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

And there hath been some answers made to the queries which are ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 10th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called. — Caleb Russell and William Barker present. For Acoaxet — John Macomber and Benjamin Tripp

And Henry Howland and Abigail Goddard did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Barnabas Howland and William Anthony are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Peace Wood restored to membership. And Peace Wood's paper hath been read again at this meeting and considered and this meeting accepts it for satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Quarterly meeting's Epistle hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

And Abraham Tucker, Adam Mott, William Barker and Jo: Russell are chosen visitors for Aponeganset. And John Mosher and John Macomber for Acoaxet and for Acushnet it is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas John Lawton doth no ways incline to make any acknowledgement for what he hath been under dealing, that is the upholding warring and fighting, this meeting therefore doth deny him to be a Friend in unity with us till he makes satisfaction.

And William Anthony's and his wifes paper is referred to the next monthly meeting. And Isaac Howland and George Smith are appointed to talk with William Anthony Jr. to know his sincerity and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 11th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and John Russell present. For Acoaxet — Christopher Gifford present.

And choosing visitors for Acushnet is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to discourse with William Anthony Jur. signify that they have done it and he hath given them good satisfaction. Therefore this meeting accepts of his and his wifes paper for satisfaction provided that he will read it or get some Friend to read it at the end of a

1757 meeting for worship on a first day (he being present) between this and the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to make inspection what Friends have been out of the way in military affairs are still continued for the same service.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{6}-\overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{04}$

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of y^{e} 12th month 1757.

Aponeganset meeting called — William Barker and John Russell the 3d present. Acoaxet meeting called — Ichabod Eddy, and Joseph Tripp present.

Henry Howland and Abigail Goddard came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishing thereof. And Abraham Tucker and Isaac Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Benjamin Shearman and Elisabeth Lapham did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till y^{e} next monthly meeting for their answer. And George Smith and Jonathan Smith are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness and make return to y^{e} next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, John Mosher and Abraham Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

And whereas Othniel Allen desires a certificate as to his as to marriage and conversation to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island, therefore this meeting appoints Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{05}$ old tenor.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to Antipas Hathaway $\overset{£}{2}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{10}$ old tenor, for mending glass about the meeting house. And $\overset{£}{4}$ $\overset{s}{10}$ to Jonathan Hussey for y^{e} last half years keeping y^{e} meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of y^{e} 1st month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called — Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet do none appeared.

The Friends appointed to see Henry Howland's marriage consummated signify that it was orderly accomplished.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

1758. Joseph Tucker and John Mosher have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to ye same.

And Thomas Hix son of Samuel Hix of Tiverton and Deborah Smith daughter of Benjamin Smith did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. ~~And~~

And this meeting is adjourned till the next fourth day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 25th day of the first month 1758.

And William Anthony and his wife's paper hath been read and is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 9th month 1757.

These are to inform the meeting that for want of watchfulness we have given way to the Enemy so as to commit the sin of fornication as appears by our having a child born so soon after marriage which hath brought grief to our parents and a scandal to the profession we make. Which sin we condemn and are heartily sorry for, desiring Friends would pass it by so as to suffer us to remain under their care and hope by repentance to find mercy with God. Given under our hands by us —

William Anthony
Sarah Anthony.

And the Treasurer hath paid $\overset{£}{2}$ · $\overset{s}{11}$ $\overset{d}{10}$ old tenor to Antipas Hathaway for mending glass about the meeting house and 2 dollars to Jonathan Hussey for keeping the meeting house.

And Benjamin Shearman and Elisabeth Lapham appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And George Smith and Jonathan Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Daniel Allen directed to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 2d month 1758.

Ponegansett meeting called. Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. And for Acoaxet — John Macomber and Philip Tripp.

The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Shearman's and Elisabeth Lapham's marriage consummated signify that it was orderly accomplished.

And Thomas Hix and Deborah Smith appeared at this meeting desiring their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting

1758 observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And William Anthony and John Russell the 2d are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Abraham Shearman and Mary Howland widow of Benjamin Howland, late of Dartmouth, deceased, did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

And also Benjamin Butler and Esther Kempton and Israel Wood and Hannah Tripp did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answers till the next monthly meeting. And William Anthony and Humphry Smith and James Shearman are appointed to see into Mary Howland's circumstances and endeavor to have things settled that the children may not be liable to be wronged by her second marriage. And Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to inquire into Abraham Shearman's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting. And Ichabod Eddy and Christopher Gifford are appointed to inquire into Israel Wood's clearness, and Abraham Russell and Caleb Russell for Benjamin Butler and make return to the monthly meeting next.

And whereas Daniel Shepherd and John Merrihew are about to go to the Oblong or Nine Partners to stay some time and desire certificates, this meeting therefore appoints Nathaniel Howland and Nathaniel Bowdish to make inquiry and draw their certificates if they find things clear.

Peace Wood minute for [illegible]

And whereas Peace Wood is about to visit Friends at Sandwich and desires a few lines by way of certificate from this meeting to Friends there. Therefore Joseph Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to draw one and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

Military [illegible]

And whereas the General Court hath made an act as we suppose, intended to favour Friends upon account of military services, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, Thomas Hathaway, Humphry Smith, Daniel Russell, Jethro Hathaway and Bartholomew Taber to consult about the matter and consider the thing and bring in their result to the next Preparative meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned until the next preparative meeting.

This meeting met according to adjournment on the 15th day of the 3d month 1758.

Military [illegible]

The Comtee appointed to consider the act of the General Court have made return that they have done it and find the consequence of the affair to be so important that they think proper that it might be communicated to the Yearly meeting at Rhode Island to have the mind of Friends in general about it

They have also drawn an address to ye General Court, a copy whereof was read at this meeting and approved.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 3d month 1758.

Apponegansett meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Daniel Russell present. For Acoaxet — John Mosher and Peter Davel.

The Friends appointed to inquire into ye clearness of Abraham Shearman, Benjamin Butler and Israel Wood signify that they find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

And they all appeared for their answers and they had their answers that they might proceed to marry in the good order established amongst Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. And Abraham Russell and Caleb Russell and Isaac Smith and Paul Russell and Ichabod Eddy and Christopher Gifford are appointed to see their marriages consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Thomas Hix's and Deborah Smith's marriage consummated signify that it was performed in good order.

Certificates were drawn and brought to this meeting for Daniel Shepherd and John Merrihew which are referred as to signing to ye next monthly meeting.

There was a paper presented to this meeting signed by Humphry, son of Peleg Smith, and his wife condemning their outgoings, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And there was some account of Friends sufferings brought to this meeting, which is ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

And we understand from Acoaxet that Stokes Potter and Benjamin Shaw are listed Troopers, and that John Wood hath paid money to save his son from being impressed. And that Isaac Tripp and Cornelius Potter are married out of our good order. Therefore Christopher Gifford and Joseph Tripp are appointed to deal further with them and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Military Service

And whereas there are some Friends belonging to Acoaxet, that live to the eastward of Acoaxet river that we understand have paid money towards military services, this meeting appoints Peleg Huddlestone and Nicholas Howland to labour with them to see if they incline to condemn it.

Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell have discoursed with Seth Allen and he desires Friends to wait till the next monthly meeting.

And the Queries were read and answers given in writing which are ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

And concerning the act of the General Court as to taking

1758. lists and the like it is referred to the Quarterly meeting for advice.

Assistance from Quarterly Meeting.

And whereas we have been at a great expense upon account of petitioning the General Court, and also being behind-hand as to the charge of our new meeting house at Newtown this meeting thinks proper to address the Quarterly meeting for relief upon that account.

And this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker, Peleg Smith, Christopher Gifford and John Mosher to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of ye 4th month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called William Barker and John Russell the 3d present. For Acoaxet — Benjamin and Philip Tripp.

Caleb Russell signifies that Benjamin Butler's and Esther Kempton's marriage was consummated in good order in degree.

And Isaac Smith signifies that he was at the consummation of Abraham Shearman's and Mary Howland's marriage, and that it was orderly accomplished.

And the Friends appointed to see Israel Wood's and Hannah Tripp's marriage solemnized, report that it was orderly performed.

And Seth Allen hath sent in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Stokes Potter and Benjamin Shaw, John Wood and Isaac Tripp, not having done it are continued to do it and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting

Humphry Smith's and his wife's paper is referred to ye next monthly meeting

Military [illegible]

And whereas Benjamin Russell, carpenter, William Ricketson Jr. Nathan Slocum and Job Gifford have paid money upon military affairs and have not done anything towards making satisfaction the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

One thing was omitted at the last monthly meeting that is the several visitors give in their account in writing of their service in visiting Friends' families.

Daniel Shepherd and John Merrihew had certificates signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting at the Oblong or Nine Partners.

Newtown

And whereas we understand that the charge upon ye account of Newtown meeting house is not completed, Joseph Tucker, James Shearman and Paul Russell are appointed to see into ye matter what money there is due and bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas Edward Wing son of Edward Wing, deceased, hath requested a few lines by way of certificate from this meeting to ye monthly meeting at the Oblong, therefore this meeting appoints Humphry Smith to draw one and bring it to-morrow in the afternoon to which this meeting is adjourned.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 18th of the 4th month 1758.

And Edward Wing had a certificate signed at this meeting in behalf of the meeting.

The visitors report to this meeting that they have laboured with Humphry Slocum but receive no satisfaction. Therefore this meeting appoints Paul Russell and Daniel Russell to talk further with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 5th month 1758.

Appearances: meeting called. Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet Leonard Eddy and Christopher Gifford present.

And Edward Thirston Jur. of Freetown and Pernel Sawdy did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer.

As also did Joseph Soule and Dinah Tripp who were desired to wait as aforesaid. And Christopher Gifford and John Macomber are appointed to see into Joseph Soule's clearness and make return accordingly.

And Seth Allen's paper hath been read and considered at this meeting and it is concluded that it is not sufficient without knowing whether he hath taken proper measures to make the young woman satisfaction.

And Eleazer Smith's and William Ricketson's papers are accepted for satisfaction.

And William Sisson, Jonathan Sisson and Benjamin Slocum have sent in papers condemning their paying money towards the militia, which are referred.

And Daniel Russell and Paul Russell are still continued to deal further with Humphry Slocum.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Stokes Potter, John Wood, Benjamin Shaw, Cornelius Potter and Isaac Tripp have done it and they don't find John Wood to be guilty.

Disownments for military matters

And concerning Benjamin Shaw, the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting. And Isaac Tripp, Stokes Potter, and Cornelius Potter, not inclining to do anything towards making satisfaction this meeting concludes them not under our care for the time to come without reformation.

And whereas Benjamin Russell, carpenter, being under the same circumstance and not making satisfaction this meeting doth also set him aside from under our care till there be some

1758 reformation.

And whereas Prince Howland and his family being removed to Oblong or Nine Partners to dwell desire a certificate from this meeting, therefore Joseph Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting if they think proper

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 6th month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called Caleb Russell and John Russell the 3d present. Acoaxet meeting called Christopher Gifford and John Macomber present.

Joseph Soule and Dinah Tripp appeared at this meeting for their answer and it was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between now and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And Christopher Gifford and John Macomber are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting

And Edward Thirston and Pernel Sawdy came to this meeting for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting And Isaac Smith and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting

And whereas the aforesaid Edward Thirston, not producing any certificate that he was under the care of any monthly meeting yet we had a good character from Swansey monthly meeting concerning him, we have permitted him to have his answer and marry amongst us. Yet it is the mind of this meeting it ought not to be allowed and so is not to be made a precedent for the time to come.

And Friends not having an opportunity to go through with that affair of Seth Allen's is is referred to ye next monthly meeting

And Benjamin Slocum's and William Sisson's and Jonathan Sisson's papers have been considered and accepted by this meeting.

And Jib Gifford hath sent in a paper to this meeting which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends that were to talk with Humphry Slocum signify that he desires that Friends would not be hasty about denying him, therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And we understand that Peleg Cornell, Silas Kirby and Robert Kirby have paid money towards supporting military services and have been laboured with. Yet they are no ways inclined to condemn it and this meeting hath referred it to ye next monthly meeting.

And there was a certificate signed at this meeting for Prince Howland and his family.

And this meeting is adjourned until the first fourth day in ye next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this [illegible] day of ye 7th month 1758.

The matter concerning Humphry Smith and his wife is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker, Stephen Wilcock are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to ye same.

Newtown — And this meeting hath agreed to come to a subscription of ten dollars to finish the charge of Newtown meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 7th month 1758.

Ponaganset meeting called - William Barker and Caleb Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called - Christopher Gifford and John Macomber present.

The Friends appointed to see Joseph Soule's and Dinah Tripp's marriage consummated signify — and also the Friends that were appointed to see Edward Thurston's and Pernel Sawdy's marriage consummated signify — that they were accomplished in good order.

And ye matter concerning Seth Allen and the matter concerning Humphry Smith are referred to ye next meeting.

The matter concerning Peleg Cornell, Silas Kirby and Robert Kirby is referred to ye next monthly meeting as is also ye matter concerning Jonathan Slocum.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same.

And the Quarterly meetings Epistle hath been read and well accepted. And whereas we are desired by the Quarterly meeting to come to a subscription towards Providence meeting house the matter is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

Disownment for military Service — And whereas Benjamin Shaw has made no satisfaction upon account of his paying money upon ye account of military services nor is inclining to do anything as we can learn, this meeting thinks proper to set him aside and conclude that he is not in unity nor under our care for the time to come without reformation.

Peace Wood & Keziah Wood Religious [illegible] — And whereas Peace Wood and Keziah Wood have signified that they have a concern to visit Friends at the Oblong and thereaway and desire some lines by way of certificate, therefore Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to draw them if they think proper and bring them to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting 3£-16s 04d Province old tenor.

The matter concerning Humphry Smith son of Peleg Smith and his wifes paper is referred to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas there has a great charge arisen upon Samuel Craw by reason of his lameness and doctor's charge, we think it

1758 our duty to see into the affair and order Abraham Tucker, Isaac Smith and Paul Russell to see what ye charge is and what way he is in to pay it.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of ye 8th month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called James Shearman and Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called present Joseph Tripp.

Thomas Cook of Tiverton and Susanna Cornell widow of Edward Cornell did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till ye next monthly meeting for their answer. And Joseph Tripp and Philip Tripp are appointed to enquire into the widow's circumstances and make report to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay 2½ dollars to Jonathan Hussey for the last half year keeping the meeting house.

The matter concerning Seth Allen and Humphry Slocum is referred to the next monthly meeting as is also the matter concerning Robert Kirby.

And whereas Silas Kirby is not doing anything towards making satisfaction and also Peleg Cornell being under ye same circumstance, this meeting thinks proper to set them aside and do deny them both to be in unity with us until some reformation.

There were certificates signed at this meeting for Peace and Keziah Wood.

Humphry Smith Jur and his wife and Stephen Russell have sent in papers to this meeting which are referred to ye next monthly meeting.

We cannot learn that Samuel Craw can do anything valuable towards paying the doctors for curing his leg. The charge is 1£ 14s lawful money, which this meeting hath concluded to pay.

Providence Meeting House

This meeting concludes to come to a subscription towards Providence meeting house.

Also this meeting orders David Smith to take in the subscriptions to pay the charge of ye Doctors upon account of ye aforesaid Samuel Craw and to pay it out as he hath opportunity.

Daniel Russell is appointed to take care of ye burying ground (viz) to cut all ye trees and brush and keep them down and keep the fence in repair.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 9th month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called — Caleb Russell and Paul Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called — Christopher Gifford and John Macomber present.

The Treasurer hath paid the 2½ dollars as ordered.

William Tripp and Maria Hammond did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting as also did David Russell and Susanna Smith and Levi Smith and Silvester Allen and were desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answers. And Barnabas Mosher and Nathl. Mosher are appointed to inquire into William Tripps and David Russells clearness and Nicholas Howland and Daniel Russell are appointed to see into Levi Smiths clearness and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

Seth Allen not doing anything so as to satisfy Friends it is thought proper that a paper of denial should go forth against him. And Isaac Smith is ordered to draw one and bring it to ye next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Robert Kirby is referred, and Joseph Tucker is still continued to labour with him.

Stephen Russell's paper hath been read at this meeting and is accepted for satisfaction.

And Humphry Smith's and his wife's paper is to be returned to them and they are to get somebody to read it at the end of a meeting on a first day they being present, between this and ye next monthly meeting.

Isaac Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to make up account with the Treasurer.

Abraham Tucker, Peleg Smith and Humphry Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

And this meeting is adjourned till the first 5th day in ye next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this fifth day of ye 10th month 1758.

Prov Mtg House Abraham Tucker is appointed to see what money is raised toward ye charge of Providence meeting house and to see that it be carried to ye Quarterly meeting.

And this meeting hath an account that there is subscribed and paid toward the charge of petitioning to the General Court £4-18s-6d — lawful money.

Thomas Cook and Susanna Cornell appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And Christopher Gifford and Philip Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of ye 10th month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called — Caleb Russell and Job Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called — John Cornell and Philip Tripp present.

The three couples that laid their intentions of marriage before the last monthly meeting came to this for their answers and they had their answer that they might proceed to marry in some conven

1758 ient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof.

And Isaac Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to see William Tripp and Maria Hammonds marriage consummated.

And Barnabas Mosher and Nathaniel Mosher are appointed upon the same account for David Russell and Susanna Soule.

And Holder Slocum and Nicholas Howland for Levi Smith and Silvester Allen.

There was a paper of denial signed at this meeting against Seth Allen and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it at the end of a first day meeting at Aponeganset meeting house.

Philip Sherman and Mary Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And William Sanford and Nathaniel Bowdish are appointed to see into ye young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Slocum hath sent in a paper to this meeting condemning his paying money toward military affairs — which this meeting accepts.

Obadiah Gifford hath sent in a paper which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Humphry Smith's and his wife's paper hath been read as ordered and is as followeth —

To the monthly meeting of Friends at Dartmouth

Esteemed Friends:

These lines may inform that whereas we by not keeping to our Education and the testimony of Truth in our own hearts have given way to our inclinations and the temptation so far as to fall into the sin of fornication and had a child before marriage. All which we are now very sorry for and do condemn all our above mentioned outgoings. We hope God will forgive us our sins and desire Friends to pass by our offences and let us remain under our care which we have a great value for.

Dartmouth ye 14th of ye 8th month 1758— Humphry Smith
Edith Smith.

The Friends appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same as ordered.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

£36-11^{s}-06^{d} paid for Prov Meeting House

The sum that hath been subscribed and paid towards Providence meeting house is $\overset{£}{36}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{06}$ Rhode Island old tenor.

Peace Wood and Keziah Wood were at this meeting and returned their certificates.

Peace Wood & Elizth Gidley relig visit.

Peace Wood and Elizabeth Gidley being about to visit Rochester Quarterly meeting desired a few lines of Friends concurrence in the affair which was granted.

The Friends appointed to see Thomas Cook's and Susanna Cornell's marriage consummated, signify that it was orderly completed.

Job Russell asst clerk

And this meeting appoints Job Russell to assist the clerk in writing for the meeting as there may be occasion.

This meeting hath chosen Abraham Russell and Thomas Hathaway visitors for Acushnet.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of ye 11th month 1758.

Aponegansett meeting called Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Christopher Gifford and John Macomber.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Philip Shearman's clearness signify they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

The Friends appointed to see the three marriages consummated, signify that they were present at the solemnizing them, and saw nothing but that they were performed in good order.

Philip Sherman and Mary Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established among Friends in the performance thereof. And William Sanford and Nathaniel Howdish are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make return to ye next monthly meeting.

And whereas Seth Allen's paper of denial hath not been read and his father having sent a paper to Peleg Smith which was read in this meeting, signifying that he thinks Friends have dealt hardly with his son — the matter as to reading his denial is referred to ye consideration of ye next monthly meeting. And Christopher Gifford and Daniel Russell are appointed to discourse with Increas Allen upon the affair.

And whereas Robert Kirby hath been dealt with in Love and waited long upon to see if he could do anything to make satisfaction upon ye account of his paying money to military affairs, but nothing to satisfaction hath been done by him therefore this meeting thinks proper to set him aside and does deny him the said Robert to be one in unity with us.

Isaac Smith and Paul Russell have made up the meetings accounts with the Treasurer and there remains in Stock £1-0s4-3¾d old tenor

Meeting at Nosquechuck — And whereas Friends living near the head of Nosquechuck River have signified that they desire to have a meeting set up thereabouts, this meeting agrees to it and that it be held at John Cornell's on every first day the three winter months ensuing.

Mtg at All[illegible] — And the Friends in Allen's Neck signify that they desire to have a meeting settled at Susannah Giffords or some convenient house near there for this winter season.

And John Merihew desires a certificate of his clearness as to marriage and conversation to the monthly meeting at ye Oblong or Nine Partners. And Nathaniel Howdish and Nathaniel Howland are appointed to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting or to ye adjournment of this meeting.

And Joseph Tucker, Isaac Smith, and Paul Russell are ap-

1758 pointed to see into the circumstances of Samuel Craw, deceased, and see whether there be anything left to defray the charge arisen upon his account.

And Humphry Slocum hath made satisfaction upon the account of his paying money towards military affairs and also for his disorderly marriage.

18th of 12th month 1758

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at Dartmouth on the 18th day of ye 12th month 1758.

Aponeganset meeting called - William Barker and Job Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called and none appeared by appointment.

The Friends appointed to see Philip Sherman's and Mary Russell's marriage consummated signify that it was orderly performed.

The visitors chosen for Aponeganset are Abraham Tucker and Adam Mott and William Barker and Job Russell. And for Acoaxet the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Returning minute of Peace Wood and Keziah

Peace Wood and Keziah Wood having performed their service at the Oblong and thereaways, their certificates from the Oblong were read at this meeting to good satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to see into ye circumstances of Saml. Craw, deceased, have done it, and they find that in apparel and other things there is the value of $\overset{£}{29}$-$\overset{s}{12}$-$\overset{d}{11}$ old tenor.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{7}$-$\overset{s}{01}$-$\overset{d}{11}$ province money.

And this meeting is adjourned till the next 4th day come week.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 27th day of the 12th month 1758.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for John Merihew to the Oblong.

And this meeting is adjourned to the first sixth day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5th day of ye 1st month 1759.

The Representatives of Aponeganset and Acoaxet being present at this meeting the Queries were read and answered in writing which are ordered to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are - Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and William Barker and to draw an Epistle of the things needful to the same, and sign it in behalf of the meeting.

The matter concerning Seth Allen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

There was $\overset{£}{9}$-$\overset{s}{09}$-$\overset{d}{09\frac{1}{2}}$ province money subscribed and paid in towards the charge of Providence meeting house and William Barker is ordered to carry it to the Quarterly meeting.

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15th d 1st mo 1759

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 1st month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called - Caleb Russell and John Russell ye 3d present. For Acoaxet - Ichabod Eddy and John Macomber present.

Barnabas Earl and Pernal Chase did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And William Sanford and Job Russell are appointed to see into Barnabas Earl's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting. And Isaac Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to see into the circumstances of things that they may be settled that the widow's children be not hurt by her second marriage.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted.

We understand that there were 7 shillings province money lacking towards paying for keeping the meeting house, which our Treasurer is ordered to pay and hath paid it.

And there was a paper of denial signed at this meeting against Mary Wood, widow of Daniel Wood Jur. and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it.

And the matter concerning Seth Allen is referred.

19th d 2d month

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 2d month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called - Abraham Tucker present. Acoaxet meeting called and none present.

The Friends appointed to see into Barnabas Earle's clearness, signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage. And also the Friends that were to see into the affair concerning the widow's children signify that matters are well settled according to their judgment.

And Barnabas Earl and Pernal Chase came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between now and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And William Sanford and Job Russell are appointed to see it performed accordingly.

And Seth Russell and Mary Mosher did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Paul Russell and Joseph Smith are appointed to see into Seth Russell's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Mary Wood's paper of denial hath been read as ordered.

And Seth Allen hath sent a paper into this meeting which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

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requests to come under our care

Elihu Bowen hath signified to this meeting that he desires to come under our care. Therefore this meeting appointed Abraham Tucker and Caleb Russell to discourse with him and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Nicholas Howland and his wife have sent in a paper to this meeting condemning their making provision and inviting some to a dinner after the marriage of their daughter who was married out of the order of Friends – which this meeting accepts

Allens Neck.

The Friends on Allen's Neck desire to have the meeting continued there one month longer, which is granted

The Friends appointed to view the minutes not having done it, are desired to do it between this and the next monthly meeting. And David Smith and Job Russell are added to the Comtee on that account.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 3d month 1759.

After a gathered meeting called Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet – Christopher Gifford.

The Friends appointed to see into Seth Russell's clearness signify that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

William Sanford makes report to this meeting that he was at Barnabas Earl's and Bernal Chase's marriage and saw nothing but that it was orderly consummated.

And Seth Russell and Mary Mosher appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Paul Russell and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And Seth Allen's paper is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Elihu Bowen's paper hath been read and considered at this meeting and the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas, the set time being up for the holding of a meeting at the upper part of Acoaxet, they desire that it may be held there some time longer therefore this meeting agrees that there be a meeting held there as heretofore for two months longer.

The Friends appointed to view the minutes have done it as ordered.

And Isaac Smith and Paul Russell have sold the things that was Samuel Craw's, deceased, to his brother John who has given a note for the money.

And Isaac Smith is ordered to record the minutes.

And whereas Deborah Wilbour wife of George Wilbour signifies that she hath a mind to visit her Friends and relations at the Oblong and Nine Partners and desires a certificate, therefore this meeting appoints Gideon Gifford and Philip Allen to inquire of the woman into her circumstances and draw one if they think proper.

Elihu Bowen rec'd a member.

And this meeting hath considered the matter concerning Elihu Bowen and finds freedom to receive him and concludes him under our care for the time to come.

And whereas James Macomber son of William Macomber Jur. doth desire a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting at Oblong or Nine Partners, this meeting appoints Joseph and Philip Tripp to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Distraint upon Joseph Tucker

Joseph Tucker hath brought in an account that he hath had 28 sheep taken from him for £ s demand. It was done in the month called January 1759 by Seth [illegible] and David Hall. Ebenezer [illegible] clerk of Dartmouth. Said sheep valued at £. They were taken upon account of a fine for his son's not appearing at the General Muster.

And Peleg Smith, William Sanford and Paul Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same.

Collected at this meeting - £3-04s-10d Province tenor.

And this meeting is adjourned to the youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of the 4th month 1759.

The Queries were read and answers given by Aponegansett visitors at this meeting, which are ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting. But no answers from Acoaxet.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 4th month 1759.

Aponegansett meeting called - James Shearman, Caleb Russell. For Acoaxet - Othniel Tripp and Philip Tripp.

The Friends appointed to see Seth Russell's and Mary Mosher's marriage consummated signify that it was performed in good order.

And this meeting hath considered the matter concerning Elihu Bowen and finds freedom to receive him and him to be under our care for the time to come.

And the matter concerning Seth Allen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Lotteries

And whereas we understand that there has a practice been of late, amongst our younger sort of people, of making Lotteries, which we think to be of a very hurtful consequence: therefore it is the advice of this meeting, for all under our care to be careful not to be in said practice, and that all Friends belonging to this meeting endeavor to suppress the same.

Peleg Smith and Paul Russell have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

And we have received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which hath been read and well accepted.

And there have been two certificates signed in and by order of this meeting. One for James Macomber and the other for

1759 Deborah Wilbour directed to the Oblong or Nine Partners.

And we understand that Francis Tripp hath been disorderly in marrying out of the order of Friends. Therefore this meeting orders Othniel Tripp and Philip Tripp to labour with said Francis to see if he doth anyway incline to make satisfaction.

And Abraham Tucker and Adam Mott are appointed to inquire into the conversation of Seth Allen and make report to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 5th month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called. Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet Peter Davel and Christopher Gifford.

The Friends that were appointed to inquire concerning Seth Allen's conversation not having thoroughly gone through the matter are continued to do it and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Francis Tripp hath married out of the good order established amongst us and we cannot find that he doth incline to make satisfaction, therefore Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas some Friends seem not to be so careful about keeping the time of day in meeting together for worship, it is the mind of this meeting that Friends be careful for the time to come and meet together by 12 a clock on first days and fourth days and by eleven on monthly meeting days.

And Samuel Howland Jun. hath sent in a paper signifying his sorrow for his disorderly marriage, therefore the visitors are desired to talk with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Butler and his wife's paper concerning their having a child so soon after marriage hath been read in this meeting and ordered to be read at the end of a meeting on a first day.

And Peter Davil and Joseph Tripp are chosen visitors for Acoaxe

And whereas it is thought of service that the meeting be settled at the head of Noquechuck River for some time longer, therefore this meeting agrees that it be held there as in time past, till our fall meeting next.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 6th month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called ~ Caleb Russell present, and John Russell the 3d. For Acoaxet ~ Christopher Gifford and Othniel Tripp

The matter concerning Seth Allen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Francis Tripp's paper of denial was read in this meeting and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of this meeting.

The visiters not having had opportunity to discourse with Samuel Howland Jr. this is referred to the next monthly meeting and they are continued for that service

Benjamin Butler and his wife's paper not being read as ordered it is ordered to be done accordingly between this and the next monthly meeting.

John Storer and Benajah Andrews - Religious visit

Our worthy Friends John Storer from Nottingham in Old England and Benajah Andrews from Burlington in West Jersey were at this meeting and their labour of Love and Religious visit were kindly accepted and their certificates were read to good satisfaction

And this meeting agrees to come to further subscription towards the charge of Providence meeting house

And Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, John Russell 2d, Humphry Smith, John Mosher and Jethro Hathaway are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same. And Caleb Russell and Paul Russell are added to attend the Quarterly meeting.

It is the mind of this meeting that all the books belonging to the meeting be brought to the next monthly meeting

And this meeting is adjourned till the youth's meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 6th day of the 7th month 1769.

The Queries have been read and answers given at this meeting which are ordered to go to the Quarterly meeting

There hath been subscribed and brought into this meeting $\overset{£}{22}-\overset{s}{17}-\overset{d}{07}$ Province old tenor, towards the charge of Providence meeting house

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 10th day of the 7th month 1769.

Aponeganset meeting called Nathaniel Kendrick and William Barker present. Acoaxet meeting called Peter Davol and Philip Tripp present.

Benjamin Butler's and his wife's paper hath been read as ordered.

This meeting hath accepted of Seth Allen's paper provided he will read it or get some Friend to read it he being present at the end of a meeting for worship on a first day between this and the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle have done it as ordered.

There were five Yearly Meeting's Epistles read at this meeting which were to good satisfaction

The Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accep

We have an account that George Lawton son of John Lawton hath married out of our good order and hath been dealt with by the visiters and seems not to incline to make any satisfaction Therefore this meeting appoints Benjamin and Philip Tripp to labour further with him

1759. John Craw hath answered the note that he gave to this meeting, which hath defrayed the remaining charge of the doctors upon the account of his brother's lameness, and $\overset{£}{6}\ \overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{11}$ old tenor over, which is put in with the collection which is $\overset{£}{4}\ \overset{s}{14}\ \overset{d}{11}$ old tenor.

There are several papers that have been given in. One from Solomon Lathum, one from Samuel Howland Jun. one from Obadiah Gifford — which are referred to the next monthly meeting.

James Shearman is ordered to pay $\overset{£}{6}\ \overset{s}{03}\ \overset{d}{09}$ to Jonathan Hussey for the last half years keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 8th month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Peter Davel and Joseph Tripp present.

Whereas George Lawton hath married out of the order of Friends and he hath been dealt with and refuses to make any satisfaction this meeting concludes him not to be under the care of Friends.

James Shearman hath paid $\overset{£}{6}-\overset{s}{03}\ \overset{d}{09}$ old tenor, as ordered to Jonathan Hussey.

This meeting accepts of Samuel Howland Jun.r his paper for satisfaction for his marrying contrary to the order of Friends.

Isaac Andrews and William Foster's certificates were read at this meeting and well accepted.

This meeting accepts of Solomon Lapham's paper for satisfaction for his outgoings in marrying contrary to the order of Friends and in paying his fine when impressed to go to war.

Obadiah Gifford's paper is referred to the next monthly meeting.

There was a complaint brought to this meeting by Jonathan Sisson against his brother William Sisson. This meeting appoints Isaac Huddlestone, John Gifford and Philip Tripp to labour with them and hear and determine the controversy between them. Any two agreeing make a judgment and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Solomon Latham hath requested a certificate from this meeting. Therefore this meeting appoints Daniel Russell and Humphry Smith to make inquiry and draw one and bring to the next monthly meeting if they think fit.

9 mo. 1759 At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 9th month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called - Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet - Philip Tripp present.

Timothy Davis and Hepsibah Hathaway did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Seth Allen having neglected or refused reading his paper according to the order of the monthly meeting, and there hath another scandalous report happened of the like tenor as the former and we have good grounds to believe it to be true, therefore this meeting concludes said paper shall not be read seeing things are so. And this meeting concludes it proper to set him aside, and Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

S. Allen set aside.

The committee appointed to determine the controversy between William Sisson and his brother Jonathan have done it and brought in their judgment to this meeting which is accepted and is as followeth

We the subscribers being a committee appointed by the last monthly meeting to hear and determine the difference between Jonathan Sisson and his brother William, after hearing their pleas and duly considering the affair, and having reference to the last will and testament of their deceased father, conclude that William Sisson pay to his brother Jonathan the sum of one pound, fourteen shillings, two pence, 1 farthing lawful money per annum for and toward the support of their sister Hannah Sisson, until by law they are acquitted from that charge.

Philip Tripp
Peleg Huddlestone
John Gifford

Othniel Allen being removed to the Oblong or Nine Partners to dwell desires a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting there. Therefore this meeting appoints Philip Allen and John Gifford to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Job Russell hath desired a certificate from this meeting to the monthly meeting at Salem of his clearness as to marriage and conversation. This meeting appoints William Sanford and David Smith to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper.

And whereas it is thought proper that some Friends be appointed to see that good order be observed in the galleries in full meetings, and to place themselves where it may be most convenient for that service, therefore this meeting appoints Caleb Russell, William Sanford and John Russell the 2d for that service.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{5}-\overset{s}{04}-\overset{d}{02}$ province money.
The Treasurer is ordered to pay to David Smith $\overset{s}{1}-\overset{d}{04}$ lawful money which makes up the sum in full of the doctor's charge upon the account of Samuel Craw's lameness

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths' meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 5th day of the 10th month 1759.

Adam Mott, Stephen Wilcox, Abraham Tucker, Caleb Russell and Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

The visiters of Acoaxet signify that they have visited the families of Friends under their care and find things for the

1759. most part middling well. And they have also made answers to the Queries which are ordered to be sent by the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 10th month 1759

Aponeganset meeting called — Peleg Smith and John Russell the 3d present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp.

Timothy Davis and Hepsibah Hathaway appeared at this meeting desiring their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the accomplishment thereof. And Adam Mott and Abraham Tucker are appointed to see it accomplished accordingly.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

There was a paper of denial read at this meeting against Seth Allen which this meeting approves and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of the meeting and is ordered to read it on a first day at the end of a meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

And whereas there was a complaint brought into this meeting by William Woddel against Christopher Gifford, that he is about to wrong him in several ways, therefore this meeting appoints Humphry Smith, Abraham Shearman and Paul Russell a committee in that affair to hear and determine the matter and make return to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Othniel Allen. There was also another signed for Job Russell

And the Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read and well accepted

And the Friends near the head of Noquochuck River desire that the meeting may be continued as it hath been, which is granted.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 11th month 1759.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Othniel Tripp and Ichabod Eddy.

The Friends appointed to see Timothy Davis and Hepsibah Hathaway's marriage solemnized signify that it was done in good order.

Seth Allen's denial hath been read as ordered.

The committee not having fully determined the affair between William Woddel and Christopher Gifford, the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting and said Comtee still continued.

Friends have accepted of Ruth Hathaway's paper for having a child so soon after marriage, provided that she read it or get some Friend to do it, she being present at the end of a first day meeting for worship, between this and the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 12th month 1759.

Aponegansett meeting called ~ William Sanford present. For Acuaxet ~ Ichabod Eddy.

Ruth Hathaway's paper hath not been read as ordered, therefore this meeting orders that it be done between this and the next monthly meeting.

The committee appointed to judge on the case between William Woddel and Christopher Gifford have done it and their judgment hath been read in this meeting and accepted. But said Woddel doth not accept, but desires an appeal to the Quarterly meeting which is granted. And also said Christopher Gifford being dissatisfied concerning the judgment doth desire an appeal likewise - which is granted

The visitors chosen this year for Aponegansett are Abraham Tucker, William Barker, and Caleb Russell: and for Acushnet Thomas Hathaway, Abraham Russell and Bartholmew Taber.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Humphry Smith and William Barker and they to draw an epistle to the same and sign it.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{4}-\overset{s}{14}-\overset{d}{10}$ Province money.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay to Jonathan Hussey $\overset{£}{6}-\overset{s}{03}-\overset{d}{09}$ for the last half years keeping the meeting house.

And Isaac Smith and Joseph Barker are appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And as to doing anything towards Providence meeting house we do not find ourselves in a way for it, being in debt here upon the account of petitioning to the General Court and other things.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 1st month 1760.

Aponegansett meeting called - Job Russell and William Barker present. For Acuaxet - James Cornell and Joshua Cornell

Ruth Hathaway's paper hath been read as ordered.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

The Treasurer hath paid to Jonathan Hussey $\overset{£}{6}-\overset{s}{03}-\overset{d}{09}$ as ordered

The Quarterly meetings Epistle hath been read and well accepted.

The Friends appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer not having done it are still continued to do it between this and the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Stephen Potter hath gone contrary to our profes-

1760. sion in taking up arms and going to war and also hath of late been published out of our good order: therefore James Cornell and Benjamin Tripp are appointed to discourse with said Potter to see if he would make any satisfaction and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 2d month 1760.

Aponequnset meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Benjamin Tripp.

The Friends appointed have made up accompts with the Treasurer and there remains 9^s 02^d old tenor in the stock.

S. Potter The Friends appointed to discourse with Stephen Potter, signify they have done it and he gives no satisfaction; therefore this meeting thinks proper to set him aside and doth deny him the said Stephen Potter to be one in unity with us till satisfaction be made.

This meeting appoints James Shearman and Daniel Russell to see about the charge that hath arisen about petitioning to the General Court and bring in an account to the next monthly meeting.

William Taber, son of Joseph Taber hath sent a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow for his marrying out of our good order which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Religious visit of A. Mott And whereas Adam Mott signifies that he hath thoughts of going to Sandwich upon a religious visit and desires a few lines from this meeting therefore this meeting orders Joseph and Abraham Tucker(?) to draw up something if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Job Russell Capps Treas. And whereas James Shearman doth decline being Treasurer to this meeting, this meeting doth choose Job Russell to supply in that office.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 3d month 1760.

Aponequnset meeting called - William Barker and Job Russell present. For Acoaxet - Philip Tripp and Peter Davel.

James Shearman and Daniel Russell not having done anything in the affair that the last monthly meeting ordered are still continued to do it between this and the next monthly meeting

And we understand that Catharine Huddlestone hath married out of our good order and also had a child soon after marriage and she hath been laboured with in order to bring her to a sight of her outgoings but nothing to satisfaction hath been done by her. Therefore this meeting thinks proper to set her aside and appoints Isaac Smith to draw up a paper of denial against and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

William Taber's paper is referred to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Adam Mott and another for Samuel Chase.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw the Epistle are Joseph Tucker Peleg Smith, Caleb Russell and Peter Davol. and they to sign the Epistle.

The several visitors have given in an account in writing of their service in visiting Friends' families and also their answers to the queries.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{02}$-$\overset{d}{02}$ old tenor.

And this meeting is adjourned till the youths meeting.

This meeting being met by adjournment the 4th day of the 4th month 1760.

None of the Representatives present but Job Russell.

The queries were read and answered by the visitors.

Whereas Christopher Gifford and William Waddel did not prosecute their appeal as intended and do still desire an appeal to the next Quarterly meeting, it is granted.

This meeting is adjourned again to the 14th day of the 4th month 1760.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 14th day of the 4th month 1760.

79 dollas collected for Boston fire

There were 79 dollars with what hath been delivered to Benjamin Akin contributed at this meeting and delivered to Humphry Smith in order for the distressed people at Boston who have met with a great loss by fire. And it is to be delivered to the Selectmen or Overseers of the Town of Boston.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 4th month 1760.

Aponeganset meeting called -- Daniel Russell and Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet -- Ichabod Eddy.

Isaac Smith not having drawn anything as ordered against Catharine Huddlestone is still continued to do it and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have all attended it except Peleg Smith and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

This meeting hath accepted of William Tabers paper for satisfaction.

Humphry Smith makes report that he hath delivered the money that was contributed for the poor people at Boston to Benjamin Akin to be delivered at Boston for the use abovesaid.

And Luke Hart, Joseph Smith, William Mosher, and Joseph Mosher Jun: are appointed to take the whole oversight of the burying ground at Newtown.

And Daniel Russell son of James Russell having gone out of the way in his marriage and other things, this meeting orders Stephen Willcox, and Daniel Russell to talk with him and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting orders Daniel Russell to pay to Peleg Smith $\overset{s}{6}$ $\overset{d}{4}$ lawful

760. money which completes the charge of petitioning to the General Court. And also to pay to Isaac Smith two dollars and a half for recording the minutes of the monthly meeting and to pay the remainder of the money into the Treasurer's hands.

Providence Meeting house. The Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read at this meeting and well accepted. Whereas it was signified in the Epistle that there was considerable money wanting toward defraying the charge of Providence meeting house, this meeting therefore appoints, Humphry Smith, Christopher Gifford and Adam Mott and Bartholomew Taber to draw up something in order for Friends to subscribe as they find freedom.

John Russell 3d hath signified that he and his wife are about to put out their son John Williams to a Friend at Sandwich and desires some lines to the monthly meeting there of his being under our care. And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed in that affair.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 5th month 1760.

Aporeganset meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Joshua Cornell.

Samuel Shove and Abigail Anthony did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

Daniel Russell hath answered the money that he was to pay to Peleg Smith and Isaac Smith.

Boston fire. This meeting hath received a receipt from Boston signed John Phillips of £24 lawful money that we have sent for the use of the sufferers in the late fire.

We understand that Daniel Russell son of James, desires that Friends would wait till the next monthly meeting, therefore the matter is referred.

There was a paper of denial against Catharine Huddlestone brought to this meeting and Isaac Smith hath signed it by order of the meeting and is also appointed to read it on a first day at the end of a meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting.

Daniel Russell hath paid the remainder part of the money that was in his hands to the Treasurer as ordered, which is £7-07s-10d old tenor.

We understand that Benjamin Wing Jun. being removed with his family to Smithfield to dwell, desires a certificate. Therefore this meeting appoints Peleg Huddlestone and Ichabod Eddy to draw one if they find things clear and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 6th month 1760.

Benjamin Shearman and Jonathan Hussey present.
And this meeting is adjourned to this day week.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth by adjournment on the 23d day of the 6th month 1760
Aponegansett meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - James Cornell and Peter Davol.

Samuel Shove and Abigail Anthony appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order established among Friends in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. And Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Russell, son of Benjamin Russell and Elisabeth Slocum, daughter of Holder Slocum deceased, have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Jonathan Hussey and Stephen Willcocks are appointed to enquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Daniel Russell, son of James Russell having signified or given encouragement of making satisfaction but not having done anything in that nature, this meeting thinks proper that Stephen Willcocks and Daniel Russell talk further with him and if he make no satisfaction as they may judge reasonable, then they are to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting

Catharine Huddlestone's paper of denial hath been read as ordered.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Benjamin King jr. and wife and child directed to the monthly meeting in Smithfield

This meeting is adjourned to the youths meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4th day of the 7th month 1760.

The Representatives have been called upon and are all present but Peter Davol.

Aponegansett visitors have made answers to the queries in writing which are ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Adam Mott, Humphrey Smith, and Caleb Russell and they to draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

£163_11s for Prov Mtg house

There was £163 - 11s in Rhode Island money subscribed toward the charge of Providence meeting house which this meeting orders to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

1760. At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 7th month 1760.

Aponegansett meeting called - Caleb Russell and John Russell to [illegible] present. For Acoakset - Ichabod Eddy and John Mosher present.

Benjamin Russell jur. and Elisabeth Slocum did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof. And Humphry Smith and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Samuel Shove's and Abigail Anthony's marriage consummated make return that it was accomplished in good order.

Whereas Stephen Willcocks and Daniel Russell were appointed last monthly meeting to draw a paper of denial against Daniel Russell son of James Russell if they thought proper accordingly they have drawn a paper of denial against him and brought it to this meeting and it was signed by order of this meeting and Daniel Russell is appointed to read it or get it read between this and the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same, make report that they have attended the said meeting and drawn an Epistle as ordered.

There was a paper sent to this meeting signed by Nicholas Lapham signifying his sorrow for marrying out of the good order established amongst us, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Nova Scotia Land. It hath been agitated whether or no it is warrantable for Friends to take up land lately improved by the French near Nova Scotia - which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

War Tax. It is the mind of this meeting that it is inconsistant with our principles to pay the tax said to be laid upon Friends in lieu of Personal Service in carrying on the present war.

Epistles from London Phila & New York. This meeting received two printed Epistles and three written Epistles: one printed and one written, from London, one printed and one written from Philadelphia and one written Epistle from Flushing.

And this meeting received an Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting, and it was read and the contents thereof recommended to Friends' observation.

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Jonathan Hussey 3 dollars.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 8th month 1760.

Aponegansett meeting called - Joseph and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoakset - Peleg Huddlestone and Joseph Tripp present.

Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey signify to this meeting that they were at the solemnizing of Benjamin Russell's and Elizabeth Slocum's marriage and saw nothing but that it was done in good order.

Daniel Russell, son of James, his paper of denial hath been read as ordered.

Mary Akin wife of Benjamin Akin Jun.r hath sent in a paper signifying her sorrow for her outgoings in particular, her having a child so soon after marriage, which this meeting accepts provided she read it or get some Friend to do it at the end of a first day meeting between this and the next monthly meeting.

Nicholas Laphams paper hath been read in this meeting and accepted and he still to remain under our care.

And as to the matter referred to this meeting concerning whether it might be warrantable for Friends to take up land near Nova Scotia lately inhabited by the French, this meeting thinks proper to refer it to the Quarterly meeting for advice.

The Treasurer hath paid Jonathan Hussey 3 dollars as ordered.

And whereas Job Case hath made application to come under our care, it is referred to the next monthly meeting and Peleg Smith and Philip Allen are appointed to talk with said Case upon that account and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas we understand that Jedediah Wood hath made a purchase near Nova Scotia and also sold a couple of servants to a man in those parts, it is referred to the next monthly meeting

Boston Mtg house — This meeting hath agreed to come to a subscription toward building a meeting house for Friends at Boston.

And we understand that Peleg Slocum Jur. is under scandalous report of committing fornication, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and John Russell the 3d to talk with him and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Othniel Tripp is chosen visitor for Acoaxet in the room of Joseph Tripp who hath desired to be excused.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 9th month 1760.

Aponeganset meeting called — Peleg Smith and Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet — John Mosher and Ichabod Eddy present.

Joseph Slade and Deborah Howland have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting.

Mary Akins paper hath been read as ordered.

The matter concerning Job Case is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Peleg Slocum Jur. is referred to the next monthly meeting, and Joseph Tucker and John Russell the 3d are still continued to talk with him and make report to the next monthly meeting

This meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker to see things settled with Deborah Howland so that her children be

1760 [illegible] by the marriage and make report to the next monthly meeting.

10th mo

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 10th month 1760.

Aponeganset meeting called John Russell the 2 and William Barker present. Acoaxet John Macomber and Peter Davol.

The Friends appointed to see into the affairs of the widow Deborah Howland's estate, signify that they have made inquiry and find nothing as they apprehend but that she may marry without danger of wronging her children.

Joseph Slade and Deborah Howland appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Tucker and Benj. Smith have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

The Quarterly meeting's Epistle hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

We, that is the monthly meeting, have accepted money of Jedediah Wood which we cannot be easy to keep, by reason that he hath not made satisfaction in relation to his exposing for sale two Indian children in Nova Scotia. Which action we can have no unity with nor with him till done. And Peter Davol is appointed to deliver the money to him again and let him know upon what account.

Whereas Mary Potter hath signified that she is about making a visit to the Oblong to her Friends and relations there and desires a few lines by way of certificate to the monthly meeting there, Peter Davil and Philip Tripp are appointed to inquire into the affair and draw one as they shall think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting appoints Daniel Russell, Joseph Smith, William Sanford and Paul Russell to endeavor to keep the people orderly in the galleries and elsewhere at this full meeting coming on, at Aponeganset. And Peter Davil, Philip Tripp and Joshua Cornell are appointed for the same business at Acoaxet.

£10-05-08 for Boston Meeting house

Job Russell hath brought a receipt to this meeting signed by Ebenezer Pope of Boston, that he hath received £10-05-08 lawful money toward the charge of building Friends meeting house at Boston. Said money being contributed by our monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 11th month 1760.

Aponeganset meeting called William Barker and Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet - Philip Tripp and Israel Wood.

The Friends appointed to see Joseph Slades and Deborah Howlands marriage consummated signify that they being there saw nothing but that it was performed in good order.

Whereas it hath been some time since Job Case hath made application to come under our care, and still continuing steady in his mind upon that account we find freedom to accept of him and he is to be under our care for the time to come.

Job Case
rec'd into
membership

And whereas Peleg Slocum Jur. has not done anything to make satisfaction, this meeting thinks proper to set him aside and Isaac Smith is ordered to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Mary Potter.

The matter concerning Jedediah Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And whereas Benjamin Ryder son of William Ryder hath signified his desire of coming under our care, therefore this meeting appoints Adam Mott and Joseph Smith to talk further with him and make inquiry into his conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 12th month 1760.

Aponegansett meeting called - Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - John Mosher and Joseph Tripp.

There was a paper of denial read in this meeting against Peleg Slocum son of Holder Slocum, deceased, which this meeting orders Isaac Smith to read publickly at the end of a first day meeting between this and the next monthly meeting.

John Potter, son of Aaron Potter hath made application to this meeting both he and his wife to come under our care which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Jedediah Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting having received the committee's account concerning Benjamin Rider (which was very satisfactory) therefore this meeting accepts and he is to be under our care for the time to come.

Benj Rider
admitted
to membership

Whereas Friends and friendly people dwelling near Gideon Allen's being at a great distance from any settled meeting of Friends they desire to have a meeting settled at Gideon Allen's for this winter season. Therefore this meeting agrees that there be a meeting settled there for the three months to come. That is, two days in a month: the first first day in each month and the sixth day following our Preparative meeting which is the second sixth day.

Meeting at
Gideon Allen's

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Joseph Tucker John Mosher, Abraham Tucker, John Russell 3d and William Barker and they to draw an Epistle to the same

1761. and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

There was collected at this meeting £6-15s old tenor.

And this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay 3 dollars to Jonathan Hussey for keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 1st month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called Caleb Russell and John Russell the 3d present. For Acoaxet — none present.

Peleg Slocum's paper of denial hath been read as ordered.

The matter concerning John Potter and wife is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Jedediah Wood is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed have attended the Quarterly meeting and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

The Quarterly Meeting Epistle hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

The choosing of visitors is referred to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Benjamin Rider to the monthly meeting at Rhode Island.

Gift of Books from Phila Yearly Meeting — There were 23 books brought into this meeting, 14 of William Dell's works and 9 of John Rutty's, which were bestowed upon us by the Yearly Meeting of Pennsylvania. And we have also received an Epistle from the same which was read to good satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 2d month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — Peleg Huddlestone and Philip Tripp.

Hesson Briggs and Phebe Russell did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meeting and were advised to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Peleg Smith and Stephen Willcox are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make return to the next monthly meeting.

William Wood, glazier, hath signified to this meeting that he hath a desire to be under our care. Therefore Thomas Hathaway and Bartholomew Taber are appointed to talk with him and make inquiry concerning his conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

John Potter & wife received members — John Potter, son of Aaron, and his wife having in time past declared their desire of coming under our care, and due inquiry hath been made and nothing appearing to hinder, we find freedom to accept and they to be under our care for the time to come.

Adam Mott, Abraham Tucker, Caleb Russell and William Barker are chosen visitors for Aponeganset. And Thomas Hathaway and Bartholomew Taber for Accushnet.

M. Kirby disowned — Whereas Mary Kirby, now Wilbur, daughter of Nathaniel Kirby deceased, hath married out of our good order and doth nothing to make satisfaction altho' Friends have done their duty in advising her, therefore this meeting doth conclude to set her aside and doth deny her to be in unity with us.

Noquochuck — Whereas Friends near the head of Noquochuck River have petitioned this meeting that they may build a meeting house thereabouts, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, John Mosher, Caleb Russell, Philip Tripp and Paul Russell a committee to go and see where it may be most convenient, and consider all necessary circumstances, and to allow or disallow as they may think proper in that affair and make return to the next monthly meeting.

It hath been advised by Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that there be some meet person or persons appointed to take account of things remarkable occurring among Friends from time to time as dying sayings, or other things as may be for the promotion of Truth.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 3d month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — Peter Davis and Philip Tripp.

The Friends appointed to see into Wesson Briggs' clearness signify they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

Wesson Briggs and Phebe Russell appeared at this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst Friends. And Peleg Smith and Stephen Willcox are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in said order and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Wm Wood recd into membership — This meeting having received a good report of William Wood, glazier, concludes to receive him, and he to be under our care for the time to come.

Noquochuck — The committee appointed to see about building a meeting house near the head of Noquochuck river have signified that they think John Cornells ground upon the west side of the highway against Philip Howlands is the most suitable place to build it, all circumstances considered. And the Comtee think it proper that the petitioners have liberty to build one agreeable to their request and think 28 feet wide and 30 feet long and one story high should be the dimensions of said house.

And this meeting appoints Philip Tripp, Lemuel Sisson, John Davis Junr. Daniel Wood and Abiel Macomber to take a deed of the land that said house is to be set upon.

And whereas the limited time is up concerning the keeping a meeting at Gideon Allens it is thought proper that it may be kept there for two months longer as heretofore.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay to Jonathan Hussey for work, and nails and a gate for the grave yard £1-15s old tenor.

1761. Collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}-\overset{s}{15}-\overset{d}{05}$ old tenor

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are Peleg Smith, Paul Russell, Peter Davel and Philip Tripp, and they to draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

Sufferings Thomas Hathaway, Daniel Russell and Philip Tripp are appointed to get all the accounts of Friends sufferings upon the account of the militia and exhibit them to the adjournment in order to go to the Quarterly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned to the first sixth day in the next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3^d day of the 4th month 1761. The Representatives being present.

The visitors of Aponeganset and Acoaxet have signified that they have made a pretty thorough visit throughout Friends' families under their care.

And the Queries have been read and answered, and the Representatives are ordered to carry them to the Quarterly meeting.

The accounts of Friends sufferings upon the account of the military affairs were brought to this meeting, which were allowed and ordered to go to the Quarterly meeting.

Mary Akin, wife of William Akin hath sent in a paper to this meeting, which is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer hath paid $\overset{£}{1}-\overset{s}{15}$ old tenor to Jonathan Hussey as ordered.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 4th month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called — William Barker and Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet — Ichabod Eddy.

The Friends appointed to see Wesson Briggs' and Phebe Russell's marriage consummated signify that it was done in good order.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting have done it except Paul Russell and drawn an Epistle to the same as appointed.

The Quarterly meeting Epistle hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

Amy Russell's paper concerning her sorrow for her outgoings hath been read as ordered.

Prov. Mtg. House. And the Quarterly meeting hath desired in its Epistle that this meeting raise the sum of $\overset{£}{28}7$ Rhode Island money to defray the charge of Providence meeting house and yard which this meeting agrees to. And this meeting appoints David Smith and Jonathan Hussey to get in the subscriptions. And Joseph Mosher and Joseph Merrihew for Newtown and Philip Tripp for Acoaxet upon the same account and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting hath accepted of Mary Akin's paper and she to remain under our care.

And whereas it is ordered that each monthly meeting be supplied with a Book of Discipline transcribed, therefore this meeting appoints

Joseph Tucker, Peleg and Humphrey Smith to procure a blank book and agree with some suitable person to transcribe it.

5th

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 5th month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called - Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet John Mosher.

Daniel Russell and Mary Russell and Joseph Gifford and Hannah Howland and Samuel Smith and Mary Anthony did all lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer and Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see into Joseph Giffords clearness, and James Shearman and Isaac Smith are appointed upon the same account with Daniel Russell, and Peleg Smith and Barnabas Howland for Samuel Smith and all to make return to the next monthly meeting.

We understand that a blank book is procured according to the order of last monthly meeting, and the same committee is still continued to agree with some suitable person to transcribe the Book of Discipline.

[illegible] wife to come [illegible] care

Whereas Peleg Gifford and his wife have signified that they desire to come under the care of Friends, therefore this meeting appoints James Shearman and Paul Russell to talk with him and make enquiry concerning his conversation and make return to the next monthly meeting.

6th

At a monthly meeting of Friends held on the 22d day of the 6th month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called - Paul Russell and Caleb Russell present. For Acoaxet - William Macumber and Peter Davel.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the three couples clearness, signify they find nothing to hinder their intended marriages.

And they all had their answers that they might proceed to marry in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst Friends in the performance thereof. And James Shearman and Isaac Smith are appointed to see Daniel Russells and Mary Russells marriage consummated in said order. And Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith and Barnabas Howland are appointed upon the same account for the other two couples, and all to make return to the next monthly meeting.

And we understand that the committee has employed a Friend to transcribe the Book of Discipline.

Peleg Gifford & wife received as members.

The Friends appointed to inquire concerning Peleg Gifford and his wife signify that they find nothing but that we may ac-

1761. cept. And this meeting doth accept them and they to be under our care for the time to come.

Jonathan Gifford signifies that he desires to be under the care of Friends. And Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are appointed to talk with him.

And whereas Lot Anthony and his family being removed to Rhode Island to dwell, desire a certificate, therefore this meeting appoints Humphrey Smith and Daniel Russell to make inquiry and draw one if they think proper and make return to the next monthly meeting. And likewise they are to make inquiry concerning Francis Barker and draw one if they think proper for him.

Henry Stanton religious visit — Our Friend Henry Stanton from N. Carolina was at this meeting and his labour in the Truth well accepted and his certificate read and well accepted

And whereas Susannah Gifford doth desire some assistance, being in difficulty, therefore this meeting appoints Nicholas Howland and his wife to take care and assist her in what they think necessary.

Peleg Smith, Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Thomas Hathaway and Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned to the Youths' meeting.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 3d day of the 7th month 1761.

Providence meeting house. — This meeting hath raised the money to defray the charge of Providence meeting house all [illegible] 46£ 14s 0d Rhode Island old tenor and Joseph Tucker is ordered to carry it and pay it to the Quarterly meeting.

At a monthly meeting held at Dartmouth the 20th day of the 7th month 1761.

Apponegansett meeting called Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet - John Mosher and Peleg Huddlestone present.

The Friends appointed to see Daniel Russell's and Mary Russell's marriage, and Joseph Giffords and Hannah Howlands marriage, and Samuel Smith's and Mary Anthony's marriage, consummated make report that the said marriages were accomplished in good order.

The matter concerning Jonathan Gifford is referred to the next monthly meeting, and Jonathan Hussey and David Smith still continued to make further inquiry into his converzation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith make report that they attended the Quarterly meeting and drew an Epistle to the same and signed it in behalf of the monthly meeting as appointed.

This meeting received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting of Rhode Island which was read and the contents recommended to Friends observation.

Humphry Smith and Daniel Russell were appointed last monthly meeting to inquire into Jos. Anthonys and his wifes life and conversation, and to draw a certificate for them to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island, and also to inquire into Frances Parkers and his wifes life and conversation and draw a certificate for them if they thought proper, which has been neglected. Therefore they are still continued to proceed as above said and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The overseers have informed this meeting that Jonathan Smith Jur. hath been overtaken by Spirituous Liquors. Therefore this meeting appoints Daniel Russell and William Sanford to labour with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

David Smith and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to make up accompts with the Treasurer and make report to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{6}-\overset{s}{18}-\overset{d}{03}$ old tenor

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay three dollars to David Smith for keeping the meeting house half a year.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 8th month 1761.

Apponegansett meeting called Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker present For Acoaxet Peter Davel.

The matter concerning Jonathan Gifford is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Jos. Anthonys and Francis Parkers certificates were brought to this meeting and the signing of them is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Christopher Gifford, we understand, hath fulfilled the Quarterly meetings judgment in the case between him and William Woddel.

William Sanford and Daniel Russell not having talked with Jonathan Smith Jur. they are still continued to do it and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to make up accompts with the Treasurer have done it and find that there remains in the Stock $\overset{£}{1}\ \overset{s}{09}-\overset{d}{08}$ old tenor.

Whereas Daniel Russell signifies to this meeting that Stephen Willcox hath lived in one of his houses for some considerable time and Willcox's circumstances are such that he cannot well pay the rent, therefore said Russell is desired to bring in his account regular to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 9th month 1761.

761. Aponeganset meeting called - Daniel Russell present For Acoaxet James Cornell and Philip Tripp

Jonª Gifford recd a member

The Friends appointed to discourse with Jonathan Gifford, son of Benjamin Gifford concerning his coming under the care of Friends signify they have done it and find nothing to hinder. Therefore this meeting finds freedom to accept, and he to be under our care for the time to come.

This meeting hath received a certificate from the monthly meeting at Rhode Island, concerning Thomas Hicks, son of Samuel Hicks, his orderly conversation whilst with them, recommending him to our care, which this meeting doth accept.

And this meeting hath received two certificates from the monthly meeting at Nantucket, one for Benjamin Taber and the other for his wife, which were read and accepted by this meeting.

Francis Barkers and Jos Anthonys certificates were read and approved in this meeting and signed in and by order of this meeting

This meeting hath received a certificate from the monthly meeting at Sandwich concerning Abigail Shepherd wife of John Shepherd recommending her to our care, which is accepted.

Whereas Elnathan Eldridge and Luthan Ward have signified their desire of coming under the care of Friends, therefore this meeting appoints Humphry Smith and Peleg Huddlestone to talk with Luthan Ward to understand his sincerity and make report to the next monthly meeting. And Jonathan Taber and John Russell the 3d are appointed upon the same account for Elnathan Eldridge

Joshua Davel hath signified to this meeting that he hath a desire to come under our care. Therefore Joseph Tripp and Ichabod Eddy are appointed to talk with said Joshua Davel and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Jonathan Smith jur. is continued till the next monthly meeting, and Daniel Russell and William Sanford are continued to watch over and advise him as they may think proper

James Shearman and Joseph Smith are appointed Overseers of the Poor among Friends of Aponegansit and to give advice as they think proper. And for Acushnet Jonathan Taber and Thomas Hathaway and for Acoaxet Peleg Huddlestone and Philip Tripp.

We understand that Elihu Bowen hath taken a distaste against Friends Principles and is joined to the Baptists or is about to join with them. Therefore James Shearman and Paul Russell are appointed to talk with said Bowen, if they think proper: to know his reasons for leaving Friends and make return to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting is adjourned till the Youths meeting day.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment in Dartmouth on the 2d day of the 10th month 1761.

Ichabod Eddy, Humphry Smith and Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of the monthly meeting.

The Queries have been read and answers given by the Visitors of Acoaxet and Aponeganset, and ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting.

This meeting orders Daniel Russell to pay the money that this meeting was ordered to send to the Quarterly meeting upon account of the charge of Providence meeting house, which sum is 45£. with interest till paid.

The Overseers of the Poor among Friends are to inform themselves into the circumstances of things among them and make return how they find things to each monthly meeting for the time to come.

Whereas Daniel Russell hath brought an account to the monthly meeting that Stephen Willcox is considerably in debt to him for house rent, therefore this meeting appoints Peleg Huddlestone, William Barker and John Potter to inquire into the matter, and see that things are done regular, and see whether said Willcox cannot do something himself, and to consider whether it may be proper that wood may be sold off the Meeting House lot to pay that debt and make return to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 10th month 1761.

Aponeganset meeting called — Daniel Russell and Joseph Smith present. For Acoaxet — Israel Wood present.

Luthan L. Wood rec'd a member. The Friends appointed to inquire into Luthan Wood's life and conversation make a satisfactory report. Therefore this meeting concludes to accept of him to be under our care for the time to come.

The matter concerning Elnathan Eldridge is referred to the next monthly meeting and the Friends are continued to take care to talk with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Luthan Wood and Sarah Tucker did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Humphry Smith and Peleg Huddlestone are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Joshua Davel is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Jonathan Smith jur is referred to the next monthly meeting and the Friends appointed to talk with said Smith are still continued on the same account.

The matter concerning Elihu Bowen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting signified they have done it and drew an Epistle and signed it in behalf of the meeting as appointed.

We received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read and well accepted.

Providence. Humphry Smith has paid the money for the charge of repairing Providence meeting house and yard and brought a receipt for the same. And likewise said Smith has paid 2½ dollars for to be put in the Yearly Meeting Stock.

1761. The Friends appointed to talk with Stephen Wilcox and to see if he cannot pay Daniel Russell his demand, and also to see if it is proper to sell wood off the meeting house lot, signify that they had done nothing. Therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting and they continued upon the same account.

And this meeting appoints Jos. Russell to draw two certificates — one for Peace Wood and one for Elisabeth Gidley and bring them to the adjournment.

Whereas David Merrihew desires a few lines by way of certificate therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to enquire into his life and conversation and draw a certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting appoints Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith to draw a paper of denial against Susannah Russell for her outgoings and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting appoints William Sanford, John Potter, William Barker and Jonathan Hussey, Overseers, to take notice that the people in the galleries behave orderly, or otherwhere at our Fall Meeting.

And this meeting appoints Joseph Tripp and Philip Tripp and William Gifford to assist the Yearly Meeting at Acoaxet that the people behave orderly.

And this meeting is adjourned to the 2d day after our Yearly Meeting at the 12th hour of the day.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held by adjournment in Dartmouth on the 26th day of the 10th month 1761, the Representative being present.

Robt. Willis & Lot Tripp relig. visit Our esteemed Friends Robert Willis from Woodbridge in New Jersey and Lot Tripp from the Oblong were at this meeting and their visits well accepted and their certificates read to good satisfaction.

There were two certificates signed at this meeting, one for Peace Wood and another for Elisabeth Gidley directed to the quarterly meeting next to be held at the Long Plain.

Susanna Hatton Susanna Brown relig. visit. Our worthy Friends Susanna Hatton from Waterford in Ireland and Susanna Brown from Pennsylvania were at this meeting and their Labour and Service in the Truth well accepted and their certificates have been read in this meeting to good satisfaction.

This meeting hath received a certificate from Friends of the Oblong concerning Deborah Wilbour of her good conversation whilst among them in her late visit, which was to our satisfaction.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 11th month 1761.

Poneganset meeting called Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. Acoaxet — Ichabod Eddy.

Elnathan Eldridge rec'd a member The Friends appointed to talk with Elnathan Eldridge signify that he hath given them good satisfaction. And this meeting finds freedom to accept of him and he to be under our care for the time to come.

The matter concerning Elihu Bowen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Joshua Davol received as a member.

The Friends appointed to enquire and talk with Joshua Davol have given in a good report concerning him. Therefore this meeting accepts and he is to be under our care.

The matter concerning Stephen Willcox is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Luthan Woods clearness, signify they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage.

Luthan Wood and Sarah Tucker came to this meeting for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing our good order in the performance thereof and Joseph Smith and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas we have heard something of John Merrihew's misconduct at the Oblong, this meeting thinks it proper to send a letter to Friends there to acquaint them in what circumstance he was under here in relation to Truth, which this meeting orders to be sent there.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for David Merrihew

This meeting is adjourned till next fourth day come week.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment on the 25th day of the 11th month 1761 the Representatives being present.

There was a paper of denial signed at this meeting against Susannah Russell, and Isaac Smith is ordered to read it on a first day at proper season.

Whereas we understand that the widow Rebecah Slocum doth refuse to give her consent that her daughter Rebecah should marry with Humphrey Smith jun., therefore Joseph Tucker and Daniel Russell are appointed to talk with her to know her reasons and also with the young man as they think proper and make report to our next monthly meeting.

We understand that John Akin son of James Akin hath a desire to come under the care of Friends. Therefore this meeting appoints Nathaniel Bowdish, Henry Headly and William Barker to talk with him and make inquiry concerning his conversation and bring in their account to the next monthly meeting.

It was also signified to this meeting that Henry Russell and Mary Brayton have a desire to lay their intentions of marriage before the monthly meeting, which this meeting allows if nothing appears to hinder.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 12th month 1761

Aponeganset meeting called — Abraham Tucker and William Barker present. For Acoaxet — Joseph Tripp and Wm. Mosher present.

Nicholas Davis and Sarah Williams did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst us

1762 in the performance thereof. And Caleb Russell and Thomas Hathaway are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Elihu Bowen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Stephen Willcox is referred to the next monthly meeting, and James Shearman, Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to talk with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see into Luthan Wood's and Sarah Tucker's marriage make report that it was accomplished in good order.

The Friends appointed to talk with John Akin concerning his desire of coming under the care of Friends make report that he gave them satisfaction, therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting appoints Abraham Tucker, Isaac Smith, David Smith and Joseph Tucker to peruse the monthly meeting minutes to see what part of them they think proper to put on record.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are — Caleb Russell, John Mosher, Jonathan Hussey and Ichabod Eddy and they to draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{7}$-$\overset{s}{06}$-$\overset{d}{07}$ old tenor.

And the Treasurer is ordered to pay David Smith three dollars for keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18th of the 1st month 1762.

Aponeganset meeting called — Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet — Peleg Huddlestone and Christopher Gifford present.

Elnathan Eldridge and Ann Allen did appear to lay their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Caleb Russell and Thomas Hathaway are appointed to make inquiry into his clearness of marriage and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Nicholas Davis's and Sarah Williams's marriage consummated make report that it was accomplished in good order.

Whereas Elihu Bowen hath gone out from among us and joined himself to Baptists and much labour hath been bestowed on him and there appearing no hopes of his return, therefore this meeting doth conclude to set him aside and does disown him to be one in unity with u

Susanna Russell's paper of denial hath been read as ordered.

This meeting received a certificate from Nantucket concerning our friend Silvanus Allen, recommending him to be one in unity while among them — which this meeting accepts.

The matter concerning Stephen Willcox is referred to the next monthly meeting, and Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and James Shearman are still continued to talk with him and inquire into his circumstances, relating to his debts and procure as just account as they can and make report to the next monthly meeting.

John Akin recd a member also Susanna recd

This meeting doth conclude to accept of John Akin to be one under our care and in unity with us.

Whereas Susanna David hath requested to come under the care of Friends and the Friends appointed to treat with her make report that she gave them good satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth conclude to accept of her to be one in unity with us and under our care.

We understand that Elizabeth Russell daughter of Joseph Tripp hath gone contrary to good order in marrying the worlds way and she hath been timely laboured with, but she continuing obstinate this meeting doth conclude to deny her the said Elizabeth and do set her aside as one not in unity with us.

The Friends appointed to peruse the minutes to see what part they should think proper to put on record make report that they have done it as appointed.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle, signify that they have done it as appointed.

We received an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting of Rhode Island which was read and well accepted.

This meeting appoints Daniel Russell overseer of the Burying ground in stead of his father John Russell.

The Treasurer hath paid David Smith 3 dollars for half a years keeping the meeting house.

This meeting appoints Peter David and Philip Tripp. Visitors for Acoaxet for the year ensuing.

This meeting appoints Adam Mott, Abraham Tucker, Caleb Russell and William Barker, Visitors for the year ensuing.

This meeting appoints William Sanford and Henry Hedly to inquire into David Barker's clearness as to conversation and marriage and to draw a certificate for him to the monthly meeting of Swanzey if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting appoints Thomas Hathaway and Bartholomew Taber. Visitors for the year ensuing.

At a monthly meeting held at Dartmouth on the 15th of the 2d month 1762

Apponegansett meeting called - Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker present. For Acoaxet - William Macomber and Israel Wood present.

Elnathan Eldridge and Ann Allen did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting. observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof. And Caleb Russell and John Russell the 3d are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Humphrey Smith Jun. and Rebekah Slocum Jun., and John Akin and Peace Russell, and Ignatius Dillingham and Deborah Gifford did all

1762. appear and laid their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait for their answers till the next monthly meeting. And William Anthony and Benjamin Howland the 2d are appointed to see into Humphry Smith Junr clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting. And Henry Headley and William Barker are appointed to see into John Akins clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to make inquiry into Stephen Willcoxes affairs make report that he cant pay Daniel Russell his demand for House rent. Therefore this meeting doth conclude to pay it for him this year out and Danl Russell is desired to bring his account to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate signed for David Barker to the monthly meeting of Swanzey, certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation.

Whereas we understand that going to horse racing is a prevailing practice, therefore this meeting doth conclude to make a minute against all such practices. And if any Friends are found guilty of any such practice they are liable to be dealt with as offenders.

David Smith is appointed to take charge of the books belonging to this meeting and to take them home with him and distribute them out as he shall think proper.

And this meeting is adjourned to next second day at the house of John Russell the 2d at Mishaum at eleven a clock in the morning.

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment at the house of John Russell the 2d at Mishaum in Dartmouth the 22d day of the 2d month 1762.

The Representatives for Aponeganset were Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet — none present.

Henry Russell and Mary Brayton did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer. And Peleg Smith and Humphry Smith are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report thereof to the next monthly meeting.

1762 At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 3d month 1762.

Aponeganset meeting called — William Barker and Nathaniel Bowdish present. For Acoaxet Christopher Gifford and Peleg Huddlestone present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Humphry Smith Junr clearness as to marriage and conversation make report that they do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage. And also the Friends appointed to make inquiry into John Akin's clearness make report that they dont find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

This meeting received a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich concerning Ignatius Dillingham, certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation and also that he has his parents consent in taking in marriage Deborah Gifford.

Humphry Smith Junr. and Rebeckah Slocum Junr., and John Akin and Peace Russell and Ignatius Dillingham and Deborah Gifford did appear for their answers and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof.

The Friends appointed to make inquiry into Henry Russell's clearness make report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Henry Russell and Mary Brayton did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof. And Peleg Smith and Humphry Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And William Anthony and Benjan. Howland 2d are appointed to see Humphry Smith's and Rebeckah Slocum's marriage consummated and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Henry Hedly and William Barker are appointed to see John Akin's and Peace Russell's marriage consummated and make report to the next monthly meeting.

And Joseph Tucker and Joseph Smith are appointed to see Ignatius Dillingham's and Deborah Gifford's marriage consummated and make report to the next monthly meeting.

George Sanford and Rachel Gifford did lay their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer: And William Barker and David Smith are appointed to make inquiry into George Sanford's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Elnathan Eldredge and Ann Allen's marriage consummated make report that it was consummated in good order.

Caleb Russell is appointed to desire Doctor Tobey to send his accompt to the next monthly meeting for doctoring Samuel Craw.

Whereas Samuel Howland desires a certificate to the Oblong, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Gifford and Nathaniel Howland to make inquiry into his conversation and affairs and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Increas Allen Junr. hath married out of the good order of Friends and has been timely laboured with by the Visitors, yet neglects to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth appoint Christopher Gifford and Benjamin Tripp to treat further with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{15}$-$\overset{d}{08}$ old tenor -

1762. This meeting is adjourned to the 2d day of next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 2d day of the 4th month 1762.

Aponeganset meeting called — William Barker present. For Acoaxet none present by appointment.

The Queries have been read and answered and the answers are to be sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting are, Joseph Tucker, Humphry Smith and Caleb Russell and they to draw an Epistle to the same and sign it in behalf of this meeting.

Henry Headly signified to this meeting that he is about to remove with his family to live at Rhode island and desires a certificate for himself and family. Therefore this meeting appoints Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker to make inquiry into his affairs and draw one for himself and family if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

We understand that Jonathan Smith Jur. still continues to take too much Spirituous liquor. Therefore this meeting appoints William Sanford and William Barker to discourse with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

4m. 1762. At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 4th month 1762.

Aponeganset called Joseph Smith and William Barker present. For Acoaxet — Joseph Tripp and Pler Davil present.

George Sanford and Rachel Gifford appeared for their answer, and their answer are, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof. And Joseph Smith and William Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Humphry Smith Jur. and Rebeckah Slocum's marriage consummated make report that it was accomplished in good order. And also the Friends appointed to see John Akin's and Peace Russell's, and Ignatius Dillingham's and Deborah Gifford's, Henry Russell's and Mary Brayton's marriages consummated make report that the said marriages were accomplished in good order.

Caleb Russell is appointed to desire Doctor Tobey to send his account to the next monthly meeting for doctoring Saml. Craw.

Whereas the Friends appointed to make inquiry into Saml. Rowland's conversation make report that they think it not proper to grant him a certificate until some reports be cleared up. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker and Joseph Gifford and Abraham Tucker to make inquiry into his conversation and affairs and draw a certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to accept of Phebe Hussey's paper of condemnation for satisfaction and she is to read it or get some Friend to read it on a first day of the week after worship, and she to be present, between this and the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Thomas Allen Jr is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting make report that they have all attended the above said meeting and drawn an Epistle as appointed.

This meeting received an Epistle from our Quarterly Meeting which was read and well accepted.

The Friends appointed to make inquiry into Henry Hedly's conversation and affairs, and to draw a certificate for him and his family make report that they have not done it. Therefore they are still continued to do as appointed and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Jonathan Smith Junior is referred to the next monthly meeting.

We understand that Daniel Cornell hath gone contrary to good order in marriage, and he hath been dealt with by the Visitors and neglects to make satisfaction. Therefore this meeting appoints John Mosher and Joseph Tripp to discourse further with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Daniel Russell doth acquit the Monthly Meeting from any further rent for Stephen Willcox living in his house.

We received a few lines of recommendation from the monthly meeting of women held at Portsmouth, concerning Keziah Allen, wife of Othniel Allen, concerning her being under their care when she came here to live — which this meeting accepts.

Whereas Tiley Willcox hath transgressed the good orders of Friends in marriage, and also in having a child soon after marriage and the Visitors have laboured with him and he doth not incline to make any satisfaction, this meeting doth appoint Daniel Russell and Nicholas Howland to discourse further with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

5 mo 1762 At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 5th month 1762.

Aponeganset meeting called — Humphry Smith and Joseph Smith present. For Acoaxet — Philip Tripp and Israel Wood present.

The Friends appointed to see George Sanfords and Rachel Giffords marriage consummated make report that it was accomplished in good order.

Caleb Russell hath desired Doctor Tobey to send his account as appointed and accordingly he hath sent it, which this meeting accepts which is eighteen shillings lawful money for doctoring Samuel Craw in his last illness.

The matter concerning Samuel Howland is referred to the next monthly meeting.

1762. Phebe Hussey's paper of condemnation hath been read as ordered.

The matter concerning Increas Allen is referred to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath given Henry Headly and his family a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island.

The matter concerning Jonathan Smith jun.r is referred to the next monthly meeting. And this meeting appoints Job Russell to inform said Smith that this meeting desires him to draw a paper of condemnation and bring it to the next monthly meeting and the paper must be read publicly at the close of a first day meeting.

Whereas Nathaniel Howland desires a certificate for himself and family, therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to make inquiry into his conversation and affairs and draw a certificate for him and his family if they think proper and bring it to the monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Daniel Cornell is referred to the next monthly meeting and John Mosher and Joseph Tripp are still continued to treat with him if they have an opportunity and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Tiley Willcox is referred to the next monthly meeting and Daniel Russell and Nicholas Howland are still continued to discourse with him if they have an opportunity and make report to the monthly meeting.

This meeting appoints Isaac Smith to draw up a paper of denial against Deborah Willcox and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

At a monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 21st of the 6th month 1762.

Aponeganset called - James Shearman and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet - Othniel Tripp and Philip Tripp present.

The matter concerning Samuel Howland is referred to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Increas Allen junior hath married out of the order established among us, and also in marrying his first cousin, and he hath been timely laboured with and he not regarding the care of Friends, therefore this meeting doth appoint Isaac Smith to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Jonathan Smith junior hath for some considerable time been in the practice of taking too much spirituous liquor, and he hath been admonished from time to time, and there appearing no hopes of his amendment therefore this meeting for the clearing of our Testimony doth appoint Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Daniel Cornell is referred to the next monthly meeting and John Mosher and Joseph Tripp are still continued to discourse with him if they have an opportunity and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Tiley Willcox and his wife have transgressed and gone contrary to the order established amongst us, in marrying out from among us, and also in having a child so soon after marriage, and they have been sufficiently laboured with, and there appearing no signs of sorrow for their outgoings, therefore this meeting doth appoint Isaac Smith to draw up a paper of denial against them and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Peleg Smith and Humphry Smith are appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next to be held at Rhode Island and bring it to the adjournment.

And this meeting is adjourned to the first sixth day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 2d day of the 7th month 1762.

The representatives are called - For Aponeganset Peleg Smith present; for Acoaxet - Philip Tripp present.

The Visitors of Acoaxet have made answers to the Queries.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are - Peleg Smith Philip Tripp and Ichabod Eddy.

This meeting hath sent an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting signed in this meeting.

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 7th month 1762.

Aponeganset called - Paul Russell and William Barker present. For Acoaxet - John Mosher and Philip Tripp, present.

Whereas Samuel Howland hath transgressed and gone contrary to good order in a scandalous manner in uttering several unbecoming speeches, and he hath been laboured with and he denied the fact proved against him and neglected to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting (for the clearing of our Testimony) doth appoint Isaac Smith to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

There hath been a paper of denial read and signed against Jonas Allen Jur for marrying his first cousin and also for marrying out of the order established amongst us.

This meeting hath drawn up a paper of denial against Jonathan Smith Jur for his outgoings and Jos Russell is appointed to read it at the end of a first day meeting for worship.

The matter concerning Daniel Cornell is referred to the next monthly meeting and John Mosher and Joseph Tripp are still continued to discourse with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting hath read and signed a paper of denial against Tiley Willcox and wife for their outgoings and William Anthony is appointed to read it at the end of a first day meeting for worship.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

1762. signify that they have attended it as appointed.

The Treasurer has paid Doctor Tobey for doctoring Saml. Crow in his last illness, which is three dollars.

Whereas Isaac Howland Jur. hath married out of the order of Friends, and never hath been dealt with by the monthly meeting, therefore this meeting doth appoint Peleg Smith and Humphry Smith to treat with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island which was read in this meeting and well accepted.

Epistles from London, Phila, New York.

This meeting likewise received two Epistles from London, one printed and the other written. We also received two more written Epistles, one from the Yearly Meeting of Philadelphia, and the other from the Yearly meeting of Flushing on Long Island: and likewise one Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, which were all read in this meeting to good satisfaction

Whereas Peleg Smith Jur. hath married out of the order established among us and also married without his parents' consent and the visitors have dealt with him and he neglects to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Tucker and Isaac Howland to discourse with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Jacob Chase hath married out of the order of Friends and he hath been timely dealt with by the Visitors, and he not regarding the care of Friends, therefore this meeting doth appoint Paul Russell and Joseph Smith to discourse with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{15}$-$\overset{d}{09}$ old tenor.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey thirty shillings for shoeing a travelling Friend's horse.

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At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th of the 8th month 1762

Aponeganset called - Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Peter Davel and Israel Wood present.

Samuel Howland's paper of denial hath been signed in this meeting and Isaac Smith is appointed to read it at the end of a first day meeting for worship and make report to the next monthly meeting.

Jonathan Smith Jur. his paper of denial hath been read as appointed and is as followeth —

Whereas Jonathan Smith Jur. hath had his education among Friends, nevertheless through unwatchfulness by not keeping to that unerring Guide, the Spirit of Truth, hath fallen into that scandalous practice of taking too much spirituous liquor to the grief and trouble of Friends. And although much labour hath been taken with him to bring him off from so evil a practice yet all seems to be of little or no effect. Therefore for the clearing of Truth we think we can do no less than give this forth as a public testimony against him the said Jonathan

Smith, denying him to be one in unity with us the People called Quakers yet sincerely desiring that if it be the will of God that he may come to a sight and sense of his outgoing and through unfeigned repentance find mercy.

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 7th month 1762, and signed in and by order of said meeting by Isaac Smith Clerk.

And likewise Tiley Willcoxs and his wifes paper of denial hath been read as appointed and is as followeth, —

Whereas Tiley Willcox son of Stephen Willcox and Mary his wife and Deborah the wife of the said Willcox and daughter of Benjn. Russell all of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, the said Willcox and wife being both under the care of Friends (the People called Quakers) yet for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth in themselves have given way to a loose and vain conversation as plainly appears by her having a child so soon after marriage: they being married out of the good order established amongst us, and they having been duly dealt with in order to bring them to a sight of their outgoings, but nothing appearing to Friends satisfaction of their repentance. therefore for the clearing of the blessed Truth of such scandalous practices we can do no less but give forth this as a public denial against them the said Tiley Willcox and Deborah his wife. denying them to be in unity with us the abovesaid people yet truly desiring if it be the will of God, they may come to a sight of their outgoings and unfeigned repentance. Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 7th month 1762 and signed in and by order of said meeting by — Isaac Smith, Clerk.

Whereas Daniel Cornell hath gone contrary to good order established amongst us in marriage and he hath been dealt with by the Visitors and refuses to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth deny the said Daniel Cornell to be one in unity with us.

Whereas Peleg Smith jun. hath gone contrary to the good order established among us, in marrying out the worlds way, and also in marrying without his parents consent, and he hath been sufficiently dealt with and refuses to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth deny the said Peleg to be one in unity with us.

The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next monthly meeting and Joseph Smith and Paul Russell are still continued to discourse with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer has paid Jonathan Hussey 30 shillings as ordered.

Whereas Ruth Soule daughter of Benjn. Tripp has married out of the good order established among us and she hath been dealt with sufficiently and refuses to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth deny the said Ruth Soule to be one in unity with us.

1762. Whereas Joseph Tucker Jur. desires a few lines by way of certificate to the monthly meeting of Sandwich, certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to make enquiry and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting.

Whereas Ebenezer Mosher requests to come under the care of Friends therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to discourse with the said Mosher and make report to the next monthly meeting.

There was collected at this meeting $\overset{£}{3}$-$\overset{s}{16}$ old tenor.

The Treasurer is ordered to pay to Jonathan Hussey three dollars for half a years keeping the meeting house.

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th of the 9th month 1762.

Aponegansett called Thomas Smith and Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet - Philip Tripp and Peter Davel present.

Samuel Shove and Rebeckah Tucker Jur. did lay their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer.

Samuel Howland's paper of denial hath been read as appointed.

The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next monthly meeting.

There was a certificate signed for Joseph Tucker Jur. certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation to the monthly meeting of Sandwich.

The matter concerning Ebenezer Mosher is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The Treasurer hath paid Jonathan Hussey 3 dollars as ordered.

Job Russell appd Clerk — This meeting appoints Job Russell Clerk instead of Isaac Smith according to Isaac Smith's request.

Births & Deaths recorded — Whereas it hath been the practice of Friends to record the Births and Deaths of their children, we understand the said practice hath been very much neglected, therefore it is the advice of this meeting that all Friends be careful to get the Births and Deaths of their children recorded in the Friends' Book of Records.

The Queries have been read and answered in this meeting.

Whereas Lydia Tripp daughter of John Lawton has married out of unity of Friends, and she hath been sufficiently dealt with and refuses to make satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth deny the said Lydia Tripp to be one in unity with us and under our care.

Whereas Archapas Hart hath for some time past neglected to attend meetings for worship and discipline, and hath been dealt with by the visitors and he refuses to comply to order and good advice, therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to deal further with him and make report to the next monthly meeting.

This meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Humphry Smith and Peter Davel to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the same, and compile the Queries into a general answer for this meeting and bring the Epistle and answers to the adjournment.

This meeting is adjourned to the youths' meeting next.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the first day of the 10th month 1762

The Representatives for Aponeganset both present. For Acoaxet none present.

The Friends appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and compile the answers to the Queries have done it as appointed, and the Epistle was signed by the Clerk in this meeting and is sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 10th month 1762

Ponaganset Meeting called. James Shearman and Caleb Russell, present. For Coaxet. Joshua Devol, present.

Samuel Shove and Rebecca Tucker Jr. did appear for their answer. and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof. and Joseph Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Adam Mott Jr. and Rachel Rider did lay their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer and Joseph Tucker and Joseph Smith are appointed to enquire into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Ebenezer Mosher recd a memb.

This meeting doth conclude to accept of Ebenezer Mosher to be one in unity with us and under our care.

Whereas Archippus Hart hath declined attending meetings for religious worship and discipline and he hath been sufficiently dealt with by the visitors and Monthly Meeting, and he still continues in the above said disorder, therefore we can do no less than bear a testimony against him. therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to draw a paper of Denial against him, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, signify that they attended it, and conveyed the Epistle and queries as appointed. This meeting received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting which was read and well accepted.

This Meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell, Wm Sanford, Joseph Smith, Daniel Russell, and Barnabas Mosher, to have an inspection over the galleries and seats at our Fall Meeting, and Joshua Devol, Othniel Tripp, Joseph Tripp, and Philip Tripp are appointed for the same service at Coaxet Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 11th month 1762.

Ponaganset Meeting called Paul Russell and Wm Barker present, For Coaxet Philip Tripp and Israel Wood, present

Thomas Russell and Edith Shearman did lay their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Joseph Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to see Samuel Shove and Rebecca Tucker's marriage consummated, make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

Adam Mott and Rachel Rider not appearing for their answer, the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

There was a paper of denial brought to this Meeting against Archippus Hart, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to see that the people behave orderly in the galleries and seats, signified that they have discharged their trust.

Whereas Nathl. Howland hath returned his certificate to this Meeting from the Oblong, therefore this meeting hath signed another for him.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 12th month 1762

Ponaganset Meeting called, Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker present. For Coaxet none present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Adam Mott's clearness make report that they do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

The Friends appointed to make inquiry into Thomas Russell's clearness, make report that they do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Adam Mott and Rachel Rider did appear for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed in marriage at some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof, and Paul Russell and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Thos. Russell and Edith Smith did appear for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof and Wm. Sanford, and David Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Ebenezer Mosher and Jane Craw did lay their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer and Barnabas Mosher and David Shepherd are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversations and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The matter concerning Archippus Hart is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Thos. Smith Junr. requests a few lines by way of certificate to the Monthly Meeting at Nantucket certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Wm. Sanford and Wm. Barker to make inquiry into his clearness and draw a certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting doth adjourn to the 10th hour tomorrow in the forenoon.

This meeting met according to adjournment the 21st of the 12th Month 1762. The Representatives being called for Ponaganset, Abraham Tucker, present, for Coaxet none present. Whereas the Friends appointed at Coaxet Preparative Meeting to attend this Meeting hath neglected to attend as appointed therefore this Meeting doth appoint Philip Tripp and Christopher Gifford to treat with them to know the reason why they did not attend and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas David Devol requests to come under Friends care which this Meeting thinks proper to refer to the next Monthly Meeting and Christopher Gifford and Philip Tripp are appointed to treat with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Elders appd viz Peter Devol Philip Tripp

Peter Devol and Philip Tripp are appointed Elders in the Church by this Meeting.

Part of the Meeting set off to Sandwich

Whereas Sandwich Monthly Meeting requests of this meeting to give a list of all the Friends living to the eastward of Accushnet River set off by the Yearly Meeting (and also if there be any under transgression, before set off by the above said meeting, that this meeting deal with them.) which we think to be out of our jurisdiction, and therefore refer to the Quarterly Meeting for advice in that particular.

Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Abraham Smith, Humphrey Smith, Caleb Russell and Philip Tripp are appointed Representatives to attend our Quarterly meeting, and they to draw an Epistle to the same and bring it to the adjournment of this Meeting

David Smith and Wm Barker are appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

David Smith appd Treasr

David Smith is appointed Treasurer in the place of the former Treasurer.

Seth Shearman and John Potter are appointed to have the care of the meeting house and also to agree with somebody to keep the house and make fires when necessary.

Lydia Barker, wife to David Barker hath brought a certificate to this meeting from the Monthly meeting of Swanzey which was read and accepted.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 7th day of next month

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 7th day of the First month 1763. Ponaganset called, Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith present. For Coaxet none present.

The Queries have been read and answers made by the Visitors and they are ordered to be sent up by the Representatives

Job Russell informs this meeting that he desires a few lines by way of Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation therefore this meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell and David Smith to make inquiry and draw a certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly meeting

This meeting hath sent up an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives which was signed in this meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the First month 1763 Ponaganset called Paul Russell present. For Coaxet Joseph Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to make inquiry into Ebenezer Mosher's clearness, make report that they do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage. Ebenezer Mosher and Jane Craw did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly meeting and Joseph Smith and

Barnabas Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
The Friends appointed to see Adam Mott and Rachel Rider's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order. Likewise the Friends appointed to see Thomas Russell and Edith Shearman's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing, but that it was accomplished orderly.
The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.
The matter concerning Archippus Hart is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.
There was a certificate signed in this meeting for Thomas Smith Jr. certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket.
Whereas there was five Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting they being called upon at this meeting three make report that they attended as appointed and the other two make satisfactory excuses.
This meeting received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting which was read to good satisfaction.
Friends to be set off to Sandwich. The Quarterly Meeting hath concluded that this Meeting give a list of all the Friends living at the Eastward side of the Accushnet River and also that this meeting deal with the transgressors. therefore Abraham Tucker and Caleb Russell are appointed to prepare a list of the abovesaid Friends that they find to stand clear and also to deal with those Friends that they find under transgression.
Likewise Daniel Cornell request to be taken under Friends care, and also his children therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker and Peleg Smith and Daniel Russell to discourse with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
This meeting adjourns to the last Fourth day in this month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 26th of the First month 1763 - the Representatives being called for Ponaganset Paul Russell and James Shearman, present. Fox Coaxet Israel Wood present.
The Friends appointed to treat with Joseph Tripp and Wm Macomber for not attending the Monthly Meeting when appointed by the Preparative Meeting not being both present to make report. therefore this meeting doth appoint Othniel Tripp and Philip Tripp to talk with them. and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
The matter concerning David Devol is referred to the next Monthly Meeting and Othniel Tripp and Philip Tripps are appointed to talk with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting.
The friends that was appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer not being present therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.
There was a certificate signed in this Meeting for Job Russell to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation.
This meeting appoints Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, David Smith and Job Russell to peruse the Monthly Meeting's Minutes to see what they think proper to be put on record and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 2d Month 1763
Apponeganset called, Joseph Smith and Caleb Russell present. For Coaxset, Peter Devol and Philip Tripp, present.
John Dillingham and Ruth Gifford did lay their intentions of marriage before this

Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer.

The Friends appointed to see Ebenezer Mosher and Jane Craw's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order

The matter of Jacob Chase's is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The matter of Archippus Hart is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Friends at eastward of Accushnet River

Whereas the Friends appointed to prepare a list of the Friends living to the eastward side of the Accushnet River that they shall find stand clear and also to deal with those under transgression have signified to this meeting that they have not done it therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell and Joseph Smith for the same purpose and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Dan'l Cornell and minor children ecd into membership - also Cynthia Wood and E Slocum.

The Friends appointed to talk with Daniel Cornell make a satisfactory report to this meeting therefore this meeting doth accept of said Cornell to be under our care and also all his children now under age.

The Monthly meeting of women Friends inform us that they have received Cynthia Wood and Elizabeth Slocum to be under their care and this meeting doth concur with the same

The matter concerning David Devol is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to make up Accounts with the Treasurer make report that they have done it and there remains in the Stock 12 S. 4^{d}. old tenor.

The Friends appointed to review the Monthly meeting Minutes in order for them to go on record make report that they have done according to appointment.

This meeting has collected £ 8. - 10^{s}. 10^{d} old tenor and this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Jonathan Hussey three dollars for keeping the Meeting house half a year and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This meeting appoints Peter Devol and Philip Tripp visitors for Acoaxet for the year ensuing, and Caleb Russell for the same service in Aponeganset.

Elihu Russell and Elizabeth Slocum did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly meeting for their answer and Humphrey Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness as to marriage, and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the Third Month 1763.

Apponeganset Meeting called, Joseph Smith and W^{m} Anthony Jun^{r}. present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Israel Wood present.

John Dillingham produced to this Meeting a certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting which was read and accepted

John Dillingham and Ruth Gifford did appear for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof and Joseph Smith and Joseph Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report thereof to the next Monthly Meeting. Elihu Russell's clearness was reported as usual, Elihu Russell and Elizabeth Slocum did likewise appear for their answer and their answer was in like manner with the former, and Humphrey Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in like order and make report thereof to the next Monthly Meeting.

Henry Smith and Cynthia Wood did lay their intention of marriage before this Meeting and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their answer and John Russell and Wm. Anthony Junr. are appointed make inquiry into the young mans clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

This Meeting doth conclude to accept of Jacob Chase's paper of condemnation for satisfaction for his outgoings, provided he read it or get some Friend to read it at the close of a First day meeting for worship and be present.

The matter concerning Archippus Hart is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Friends east of Acushnet River

The Friends appointed to prepare a list of those Friends living at the eastward side of the Acushnet River that they shall find stand clear, have prepared said list and it hath been signed in this Meeting by the Clerk.

David Devol & Children rec'd as members

This Meeting doth conclude to accept of David Devol and his children to be in unity with us under our care.

The matter concerning Eber Davis is referred to next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas John Gifford requests a certificate for himself and family, therefore this Meeting appoints Daniel Russell and Nicholas Howland to make inquiry into his conversation and circumstances and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Joseph Tucker, Humphrey Smith Peter Devol and Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and draw an epistle to the same and bring it to the adjournment of this Meeting. The Queries were read and answered in this meeting This Meeting is adjourned to the first day of next Month.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment to 1st day of the 4th month 1763. the Representatives being called William Anthony Jr is present.

Whereas Isaac Sanford hath married out of the unity of Friends, and he hath been timely cautioned. therefore this Meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell and Wm. Barker to labor with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

The matter concerning choosing visitors is referred to the next Monthly meeting

This Meeting hath signed and sent an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 4th month 1763.

Apponegansett Meeting called. Daniel Russell, and William Barker, present

For Acoaxet, James Cornell and Joshua Devol present,

Henry Smith's clearness was reported as usual.

Henry Smith and Cynthia Wood did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and . . , , ...

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The Friends appointed to see Elihu Russell and Elizabeth Slocum's marriage consummated make the like Report - (that is, like the one previously reported of which the record is torn off.)

Jacob Chase's paper hath been read as ordered by the last Monthly Meeting and is as followeth.

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 18th of the 10th month 1762. Whereas I have gone contrary to Friends order in marriage and not only so but I have fallen into that shameful sin of fornication, all which I do heartily and sincerely condemn and am sorry for, and hope God will pardon, and desire that Friends would pass it by, and let me remain under your care, desiring to walk void of offence before God and man for the future.. I remain your friend

Jacob Chase

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The matter concerning Eber Davis is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friend appointed to see into the affairs of John Gifford make report that they do not find things quite clear therefore they are still continued in the same service to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report that they have attended as appointed and they have produced an epistle from the same which was read and well approved.

Choosing of Visitors is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

Deborah Allen rec'd a member

The Women Friends inform that they have concluded to accept Deborah Allen to be one in unity with us and under our care which this Meeting concurs with. They also inform that they have concluded to accept of Edith Tripp's paper of condemnation for satisfaction, provided she read it or get some Friend to read it at the end of a First day meeting for worship. she being present, which this meeting likewise concurs with.

Whereas there has been a complaint brought by Joshua Barker one of the visitors, in three respects, First in declining to make Friends satisfaction concerning a scandalous report about he and Catharine Russell, a married woman, in their too frequently keeping company, and secondly in declining to pay the Constable his demand for a tax. Thirdly in neglecting to comply with a verdict brought against him for burning some rails belonging to Henry Tucker. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker, Paul Russell and Joseph Smith a Committee to labor with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Nathaniel Bowditch informs this meeting that he is about to remove to the Nine Partners and requests a few lines by way of certificate for himself and family, therefore Joseph Gifford and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to make inquiry into his conversation and affairs and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Thos. Potter son of John Potter hath gone contrary to good order in marriage out of the unity of Friends and in having a child soon after marriage for which disorders he hath been labored with and declines to make satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Wm Sanford and Jonathan Hussery to labor with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held at our Meeting house in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 5th month 1763. Apponegansett meeting called, James Shearman and Peleg Smith present. For Acoaxet Peter Devol and John Mosher.

The Friends appointed to see into Abner Shepherd clearness signified that they find nothing to hinder his intended marriage

Abner Shepherd and Hannah Gifford appeared in this meeting for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing our good order in the consummation thereof and Wm Sanford and David Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated and make return to the next Monthly Meeting

The Friends appointed to see Henry Smith and Cynthia Wood's marriage consummated signify that is was accomplished in good order

And whereas Archippus Hart hath given some encouragement concerning keeping to meeting therefore the matter is suspended.

Whereas John Taber Junr hath been married out of our good order and no wise shewing any desire to make satisfaction, having been labored with we think sufficiently therefore this meeting doth conclude to set him aside and do deny him from being in unity with us.

Isaac Smith hath read Abigail Macomber's ~~and of~~ and Zilphia ~~Smith~~'s Devol's papers of denial as ordered and Abigail Macomber's denial is as followeth.

Whereas Abigail Macomber of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England wife of Joseph Macomber and Deborah his wife both deceased of Dartmouth aforesaid, being one who hath been under the care of us the people called Quakers but for want of keeping to her education hath gone from our good order and married in the common way of other people and not only so but since her marriage her conversation hath not been agreeable to our holy profession, in particular she not living with her husband and Friends having labored with her in love in order to bring her to a sense of her outgoing but nothing appearing to Friends' satisfaction of any true repentance, we can do no less for the clearing of the blessed truth but to set her aside and do give this forth as a public denial against her. Denying the said Abigail Macomber to be one in unity with us the beforesaid people. Sincerely desiring she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings and find mercy. Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 4th month 1763 and signed in and by order of said Meeting by Job Russell. Clerk.

Zilphia Devol's denial is as follows viz.

Whereas Zilphia Devol daughter of Reuben Devol and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England being one that hath been under the care of Friends the people called Quakers yet by disregarding the principle of Truth in herself and giving way to the insinuation of the evil one hath fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, for which she hath been labored with in love to bring her to a sense of her evil action but nothing seeming to appear of true repentance we think it our duty to set her aside and do publicly deny the said Zilphia Devol to be one in unity with us the above said people, yet truly desiring she may come to a sight and sense of this her great evil and find mercy. Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 4th month 1763 and signed in and by order of said meeting by Job Russell Clerk.

The matter concerning John Gifford's certificate is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Friends do conclude to accept of Eber Davis his paper for satisfaction

The matter concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Edith Tripp's paper not having been read is referred in order that it may be accomplished between this and the next Monthly meeting

The matter concerning choosing Visitors is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

There was a paper of denial brought and signed in this meeting in concurrence with the Women's Meeting against Lydia Potter and Paul Russell is appointed to read it at Newtown Meeting on a First day at the end of the meeting for worship.

The matter concerning Joshua Barker is referred to the next Monthly meeting and the Committee still continued that hath also had the matter in hand.

There was a certificate signed in this Meeting for Nathaniel Bowdish, and his wife they being going to settle at the Nine Partners

The Friends appointed to deal with Thomas Potter signify they have done it and he gave them no satisfaction therefore this meeting thinks proper to deny him, and Wm Sanford and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

There was £ 13.-10d. old tenor gathered by this meeting to pay for transcribing our Book of Discipline which is paid.

Nicholas Howland Jur. hath given in a paper to this Meeting signifying his sorrow for his disorderly marriage which the Meeting accepts.

Whereas Elihu Russell and his wife being removed to the Oblong to live and desire a few lines from this meeting to the Monthly meeting there, and Humphrey Smith and Wm Anthony Jun. are appointed to draw a Certificate and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting if they think proper.

There was a complaint brought to this Meeting that William Smith hath been addicted to take too much Spirituous liquor therefore this meeting appoints Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey to talk with him upon that account and make return to the next Monthly meeting

Whereas there is considerable due from this Meeting to Daniel Russell upon Stephen Wilcox his account therefore this meeting doth give leave that he cut wood at 15s. pr cord old tenor, except any body doth appear that will give more until the debt is paid, on the meeting house lot

Benjamin Tucker hath signified his desire of coming under the care of Friends, therefore Joseph Gifford and Paul Russell are appointed to inquire concerning his conversation and talk with him and bring in their account to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 6th mo. 1763.

Apponegansett meeting called Peleg Smith and Abraham Tucker present. for Acoaxet Joseph Tripp, present.

John Ricketson Jun. and Patience Tucker did lay their intentions of marriage before this meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly meeting for their answer, and Wm Barker and Job Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Friends appointed to see Abner Shepherd and Hannah Gifford's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

The matter concerning giving John Gifford a certificate is referred to the next Monthly meeting

The matter concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Edith Tripp's paper of condemnation hath been read as appointed by the last Monthly Meeting. and is as follows. "To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 12th mo 1762. Whereas I by letting my mind out became weak and so gave way to the temptation of the enemy in the lust of the flesh so as to commit the shameful sin of fornication which was manifest by my having a child soon after marriage, and also out of the unity of Friends, all which I do condemn and am sorry for therefore I desire that God may forgive me my sin and that Friends would pass it by and suffer me to remain under their christian care.

Edey Tripp"

William Howland hath sent a paper into this meeting signifying his sorrow for his disorder in taking too much spirituous liquor which matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Abraham Tucker is appointed visitor for the ensuing year.

The Queries have been read and answers have been made by Acoaxet Preparative Meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are Peleg Smith Caleb Russell, Paul Russell, and Philip Tripp and they to draw an Epistle to the same and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeting adjourns to the first day in next month.

This Meeting met according to adjournment the first day of the 7th Month 1763.

The Representatives being called for Apponegansett and Acoaxet, - all present.

Paul Russell makes report that Lydia Potter's paper of denial hath been read as ordered.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for Elihu Russell and his wife.

There was a paper of denial brought to this meeting and signed, against Thomas Potter, and Jonathan Hussey is appointed to read it at the end of a First day meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting.

The matter concerning William Smith is referred to the next Monthly Meeting and Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey are still continued to treat further with him.

Benja Tucker rec'd a member

The Friends appointed to talk with Benjamin Tucker make report that he gave them good satisfaction and this meeting concludes him to be under our care for the time to come,

Peleg Smith, Caleb Russell and Paul Russell are appointed to sign the Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting in behalf of this Meeting.

Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith are appointed to compile the answers to the queries.

We understand that Jonathan Clark hath signified that he hath a desire to come under our care, therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Gifford and Paul Russell to treat with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 7th Month 1763.

Apponegansett called, Caleb Russell and William Barker, present. for Acoaxet Peter Devoll, present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into John Ricketson's (Jr) clearness as to marriage and conversation make report that they don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

London Epistle.

Received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held in London in the 5th month 1762, which was read to good satisfaction

John Ricketson and Patience Tucker did appear for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time, between this and the next Monthly meeting, observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof and Abraham Tucker and William Barker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly meeting

The matter concerning giving John Gifford a certificate is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next Monthly meeting. - as is also the matter concerning Wm Howland.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report that they have attended it and produced an epistle from the same which was read and well accepted.

The committee appointed to labor with Joshua Barker make report that he refused to comply with their advice and that he gave them no satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth set him aside and appoints William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next Monthly meeting if they think proper.

Thomas Potter's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of the last Monthly meeting, and is as followeth. Whereas Thomas Potter son of John Potter and Margaret his wife, he the said John Potter having been one under our care, yet through unwatchfulness gave way to the temptation of the enemy so as to fall into that shameful sin of fornication which appears by his wife having a child soon after marriage and he hath been labored with from time to time for his misconduct, hoping he may see his outgoings and make Friends satisfaction but he still remains obstinate and refuses to make Friends satisfaction. therefore for the clearing of truth we can do no less than give this forth, as a public testimony against him the said Thomas Potter, denying him from being in membership with us the people called Quakers. yet we sincerely desire that he may come to a sense of his outgoings and through unfeigned repentance find mercy. Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 1st day of the 7th mo. 1763. –

Signed in and by order of said meeting by Abraham Tucker
Peleg Smith. Peter Devoll,

The matter concerning Jonathan Clark is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Acoaxet Preparative Meeting informs this Meeting that David Kirby hath married out of the unity of Friends and that they have labored with him and he gave them no satisfaction – therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 8th Month 1763. Apponeganset meeting called Peleg Smith and Caleb Russell present. Acoaxet meeting called John Mosher and Philip Tripp, present.

The Friends appointed to see John Ricketson's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

This meeting received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held at Newport on the 10th of the 6th Month 1763 which was read to good satisfaction

London Epistle
also Epistle
from Phila,
New York,
John Woolman
& Saml Eastburn.

This meeting likewise received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting for Sufferings in London. and one from the Yearly Meeting held at Philadelphia, and one from the Yearly Meeting held at Flushing, and one from our friends John Woolman and Samuel Eastburn all of which being read in this meeting to good satisfaction, and as they contain good advice, and many good exhortations the contents are recommended to Friends' observation

The matter concerning giving John Gifford a certificate is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. The matter concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

This meeting doth accept of Wm Howland's paper of condemnation for satisfaction provided that he read it or get some Friend to read it at the end of a First day meeting for worship and he be present. between this and the next Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Joshua Barker is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.
The matter concerning Jonathan Clark is referred to the next Monthly Meeting
The matter concerning David Kirby is likewise referred to the next Monthly Meeting. and John Mosher and Othniel Tripp are appointed to labor with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting
This meeting hath collected £5.-17-8^{d} old tenor and David Smith is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey three dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year.
This meeting appoints Nicholas Howland and Paul Russell, Overseers of the Poor. to have an inspection into their circumstances and make report once a quarter.
There hath been a complaint brought against Reuben Devoll by one of the Visitors in several respects. in not attending meetings and in his conduct which appears scandalous. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Christopher Gifford and Valentine Huttlestone to labor with him if they have an opportunity and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
This meeting hath come to a subscription for the relief of Stephen Wilcox and family.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th of the 9th M^{o} 1763.
Apponeganset meeting called. Thomas Smith and James Shearman present. For Acoaxet Peleg Huttlestone and Peter Devoll present.
Benjamin Tucker and Suruiah Ricketson declared their intentions of marriage to this meeting and were desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for their answer. and Caleb Russell and Joseph Gifford are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
William Howland's paper being read as ordered is as follows. viz. To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be holden at Dartm^{o} the 16th 5th month 1763, Worthy Friends.
Whereas I have through unwatchfulness sometimes been guilty of taking too much Spirituous liquor to the reproach of Truth and grief of the friends thereof. for which outgoings of mine they have in love labored with me which dealings I do acknowledge as a sure mark of their tender regard for my good, which cause me the more freely not only to confess, but also to condemn my weakness in the above said respect., but as I have a great regard for Friends and the good order established among them, and a desire to refrain from the above said evil for the future. So I desire Friends to pass by my offence for the time past and continue me under their care Hoping for the future with Divine assistance to be more watchful over myself, that my life and conversation may be such as may not bring the like trouble on Friends

William Howland.

There was a certificate signed at this meeting for John Gifford and his wife and children to the Monthly Meeting at Oblong.
The matter concerning Joshua Barker is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, as is likewise the matter concerning David Kirby
David Smith has paid Jonathan Hussey three dollars according to the order of last Monthly Meeting.
Jon^{a} Clark rec^{d} a member
This meeting doth conclude to accept of Jonathan Clark to be one under our care.
This meeting doth likewise accept of Isaac Sanford's paper condemning his outgoings. for Satisfaction and he to remain under our care.
This meeting doth appoint Humphrey Smith. William Anthony and Philip Tripp. to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to draw an Epistle to the same and compile the answers to the queries and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting. The queries

have been read and answered by the Preparative meetings.

This meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in the next month at the tenth hour in the forenoon

This meeting being met according to adjournment, the Representatives being called but none present.

The Friends appointed to treat with Reuben Devoll have made no report to this meeting therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Howland requests to come under Friends care therefore this meeting doth appoint William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey to treat with him and make inquiry into his conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Jonathan Clark requests a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker and Joseph Smith, to make inquiry into the above said particulars and to draw a certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and compile the answers to the Queries have done it and the Epistle was signed in this meeting and sent to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 10th month 1763.

Apponeganset meeting called. Joseph Smith and Wm. Sanford present, For Acoaxet Ichabod Eddy and Joshua Devoll present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Benjamin Tucker's clearness, make report that they do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Benjamin Tucker and Sarviah Ricketson did appear for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof, and Caleb Russell and Joseph Gifford are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order, and make report thereof to the next Monthly Meeting.

The matter concerning Joshua Barker is referred to the next Monthly Meeting by the request of his brother Abraham Barker.

The matter concerning David Kirby is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report that they attended accordingly and have produced an Epistle from the same which was read in this meeting and well accepted

Jos Howland
ieed a
Member.

The Friends appointed to discourse with Joseph Howland make a satisfactory report. - therefore this meeting doth accept of him to be under our care.

This Meeting signed a certificate for Jonathan Clark to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation.

This Meeting doth appoint Jonathan Hussey, William Anthony Junr. David Smith Wm Barker. Joseph Smith and Benj. Howland 2d. Overseers to have an inspection over the lofts and other seats to see that the people behave orderly at our Yearly Meeting. And Joshua Devoll, Daniel Wood, Ichabod Eddy and Benjamin Tripp are appointed for the same purpose at Acoaxet meeting.

This meeting understands that Elihu Bowen desires to come into unity with Friends again, therefore this meeting doth appoint Abraham Tucker and Peleg Smith to discourse with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 21st day of the 11th month 1763.

Apponegansett meeting called Joseph Tucker present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Israel Wood present. The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Tucker's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Joshua Barker for his outgoings and Jonathan Hussey is appointed to read it or get some Friend to read it between this and the next Monthly Meeting at the end of a First day meeting for worship

The matter concerning David Kirby is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

The major part of the Friends that were appointed Overseers at our Yearly meeting make report that they think they have discharged their duty in that respect. and they hope there is a service on it

The matter concerning Elihu Bowen is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and the same Friends are still continued in the same service.

The women Friends inform that they have received a removal certificate for Anne Russell, which they have accepted and she to be under their care which this meeting concurs with.

Whereas this meeting is destitute of a book to Record the minutes of this meeting in, therefore this meeting doth employ Caleb Russell to purchase one and bring it to the next Monthly meeting. if he can conveniently

Whereas there was a complaint brought against Reuben Devoll some months passed and he hath not been sufficiently labored with therefore Christopher Gifford and Ichabod Eddy are appointed to labor with him if they have an opportunity and make report to the next Monthly meeting

Allen's Neck

The Friends in Allen's Neck request the liberty to hold a meeting there some part of this winter, therefore this meeting grants them the liberty to hold a meeting for the three winter months on First days except the last First day preceding each Monthly meeting, in each month - This meeting hath collected £4.- 10 - 6d. old tenor.

This meeting doth appoint Peleg Smith Humphrey Smith, Joseph Tucker, Philip Tripp and Samuel Smith a Committee to inspect into the Monthly Meeting minutes that are put on record and correct them where they shall find it necessary and also to form a new minute or an addition to the former concerning Abigail Kirby

There hath been a complaint brought against Benjamin Shearman for his outgoing in marrying out of the unity of Friends therefore this meeting doth appoint David Smith and Jonathan Hussey to treat with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19th of the 12th month 1763 Apponegansett meeting called, Peleg Smith and Caleb Russell present For Acoaxet Philip Tripp and James Cornell present.

The reading Joshua Barker's paper hath been omitted last month therefore Isaac Smith is appointed to read it in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting.

Caleb Russell has purchased a book according to the appointment of the last Monthly Meeting and the price is two dollars.

Chloe Bowen
recd a member

The women Friends inform that they have concluded to accept of Chloe Bowen to be under their care which this meeting concurs with

Whereas Reuben Devoll hath been one under our care and he hath declined attending meetings for worship and discipline for which he hath been sufficiently labored with and declines to make satisfaction therefore this meeting doth conclude to deny him from being under our care, 12th month 1763 Whereas David Kirby hath married out of the unity of Friends for which he hath been sufficiently labored with and declines to make satisfaction therefore this meeting doth deny him from being under our care.

The matter concerning Elihu Bowen is referred to the next Monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat with Benjamin Shearman signify they have not done it. Therefore they are still continued in the same service and to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

This meeting doth appoint David Smith to purchase a quire of paper and an ink pot and a lock to lock the drawer to put them in for the use of this meeting.

This meeting has collected £ 7. 5. 6d old tenor and the treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey three dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year which he has accordingly done.

This meeting doth appoint Peleg Smith, Humphrey Smith, Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker and Samuel Smith a Committee to peruse the Monthly meeting minutes to see what part they shall think proper to be put on record and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Acoaxet Preparative meeting signifies to this meeting that they think it will be convenien to make some addition to their little meeting house and also to build a chimney. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Paul Russell, Barnabas Mosher, and Joseph Smith to consider how big to build and also to compute the cost as near as they can and whether to build at all or not, and to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The Queries have been read and answers made by both Preparative meetings.

Philip Tripp, Humphrey Smith, and William Anthony Junr are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to compile the answers to the queries and draw an epistle to the same and bring them to the adjournment. And this meeting is adjourned to the 1st Sixth day in next Mo

This meeting being met according to adjournment, the Representatives being called for Apponegansett meeting Caleb Russell, present; for Acoaxet none present.

The Friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries and to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting have done it according to appointment and this meeting hath signed and sent the Epistle by the Representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th of the First month 1764 Apponegansett meeting called Caleb Russell and Daniel Russell present. For Acoaxet Joshua Devoll and Israel Wood present.

Francis Coffin and Anne Hussey declared their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly meeting for their answer.

Joshua Barker's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly meeting, and is as followeth, viz. Whereas Joshua Barker son of James Barker deceased and Elizabeth his wife he the said Joshua Barker having been one under our care and had his education among Friends, yet he through unwatchfulness gave way in three respects. Firstly in too frequently being in company with Catharine Russell that brought a scandalous report on the Society - Secondly in declining to pay the Constable his tax. Thirdly in refusing to comply with a Verdict brought against him for burning some rails belonging to Henry Tucker. and he hath been labored with in love from time to time for his misconduct, hoping he may make Friends satisfaction but he still remains obstinate. therefore for the clearing of truth we can do no less than give this forth as a public testimony against him the said Joshua Barker denying him to be one in unity with us the people called Quakers. Yet we do sincerely desire that he may come to a sight and sense of his outgoing and through unfeigned repentance find mercy

1st month 1764

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21. of the 11th mo 1763. and signed and by order of said meeting by Job Russell. Clerk.

The matter concerning Elihu Bowen is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

Benjamin Shearman hath sent a paper to this meeting condemning his marrying out of the unity of Friends which hath been taken notice of and do refer the matter to the next Monthly meeting for further consideration.

The Committee appointed to peruse the Monthly meeting Minutes signify they have not done it. therefore they are continued in the same service and to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Acoaxet Meeting House

The Committee appointed to consider about enlarging the meeting house at Acoaxet and also to compute the cost make report. that they think it will be proper to build a side flush with the old part. and also to build a chimney. and they have computed the cost as near as they can which is thirty three dollars. Therefore this meeting grants liberty the Acoaxet Friends go on and build as above said.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting make report that two of them attended. The other sent a sufficient excuse, and they have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read in this meeting and well accepted.

The women Friends inform that they have denied Mary Wilkinson and Ruhamah Wilbur for their marrying out of the unity of Friends which this meeting concurs with and do deny the same from under our care.

Prince Allen requests to come under Friends' care with his children therefore this meeting doth appoint Daniel Russell and Philip Allen and Humphrey Smith to confer with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Meeting at New Swanzey

The Friends at New Swanzey desire the liberty among them as often as Friends shall think proper, therefore this meeting doth grant them the liberty to hold a meeting two days in a month for two months, one on the first First day in the month, the other on the third First day of the month.

The Visitors inform that Timothy Shearman Junr hath set up a publishment, by which we conclude he intends to marry out of the good order of Friends, and he hath been labored with and declines to retract his intentions, therefore Joseph Gifford and William Barker are appointed to tell him. if he shall continue in his proceedings that he may expect to be denied, and they to labor with him as they shall find freedom

Proposals of printing George Fox's Journals in London by way of subscription have been presented to this meeting, which is referred to the next Monthly meeting for further notice

This meeting hath collected and paid Caleb Russell two dollars for the book for Records

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 2d month 1764.

Apponeganset meeting called. Wm Barker and David Smith present. For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Peter Devoll present.

Francis Coffin hath produced a certificate from the Monthly meeting of Nantucket certifying him to be of an orderly life and conversation, and clear from any entanglement relating to marriage. which this meeting accepts. Francis Coffin and Ann Hussey did appear for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly meeting observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof, and Caleb Russell and David Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly meeting

Elihu Bowen admitted a member This meeting doth accept of Elihu Bowen to be under our care.

This meeting doth accept of Jacob Mott's paper condemning his outgoing in taking too much spirituous liquor, hoping he may conduct better for time to come.

The matter concerning Prince Allen's request to come under Friends care with his children, is referred to the next Monthly meeting and to same Friends are still continued in that service and to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Timothy Shearman Jr is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

Rebecca Cornell rec'd a member. The women Friends inform that they have accepted of Rebecca Cornell to be under their care which this meeting concurs with.

This meeting grants the Friends of Allen's Neck the liberty to hold a meeting there one month longer as heretofore. This meeting doth appoint John Potter overseer of the poor with Nicholas Howland in how of Paul Russell, and they to make report once a quarter.

The matter concerning Benjamin Shearman Jr is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting, held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 3rd month. 1764.

Apponegansett meeting called David Smith and William Anthony Jr. present. For Acoaxet Peter Devoll and Philip Tripp present.

Joseph Howland and Beersheba Shearman, and Daniel Smith and Rebecca Cornell, declared their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next Meeting for their answer. and Benjamin Howland Jun^r and John Potter are appointed to make inquiry into the young mens' clearness as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Francis Coffin and Ann Hussey's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

The matter concerning Prince Allen's request to come under Friends' care with his children is referred to the next Monthly meeting and the same Friends that were appointed to discourse with them two months ago are still continued in the same service and to make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Whereas Timothy Shearman Jr hath married out of the order of Friends and he hath been sufficiently labored with, and he refuseth to adhere to Friends cautions and labor of love, therefore this Meeting doth deny him the said Timothy Shearman to be one in unity with us and from under our care.

The matter concerning Benjamin Shearman Jun^r is referred to the next Monthly meeting

Jane Sowle rec'd as a memb. The Women Friends inform that they have concluded to accept of Jane Sowle to be under the care of Friends, which this meeting concurs with.

This meeting appoints Ichabod Eddy and Joseph Tripp to carry on the rebuilding of Acoaxet meeting house.

This meeting appoints the Elders of Apponegansett and Acoaxet a Committee to collect an account of the deaths of public Friends which have happened for some time past and bring them to the adjournment

Acoaxet Friends Preparative meeting informs that Benjamin Tripp hath gone contrary to Friends orders in opposing the Constable in distraining for a tax, and he hath been labored with by the Visitors and has not made satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth appoint Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith and William Anthony Jr. a committee to labor further with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

1764 3d month The Queries have been read and answers prepared from both Preparative meetings and been read in this meeting.
Joseph Tucker, Peleg Smith, Philip Tripp, Samuel Smith, and Peter Devoll are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and compile the answers to the queries and draw an Epistle to the same and bring them to the adjournment.
Benjamin Devoll hath married out of the order of Friends, and hath also had a child soon after marriage, and hath been labored with and declines to make satisfaction, Therefore this meeting doth appoint Christopher Gifford and Ichabod Eddy to labor further with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting. This meeting hath collected £3 - 11s - 8d old tenor and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Antipas Hathaway 10 shillings lawful money for mending glass in the meeting house.
This meeting adjourns to the sixth day of next month.

Adjourned meeting This meeting being met according to adjournment the 6th day of the 4th month 1764, the Representatives all present. This meeting hath signed and sent an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and also hath sent the answers to the queries by the Representatives
The Elders brought the account of the deaths of public Friends to this meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th of the 4th mo 1764.
Apponeganset meeting called, Caleb Russell and William Anthony Jr present
For Acoaxet Peleg Huddlestone, present.
The Friends appointed to inquire into Joseph Howland, and Daniel Smith's clearness as to marriage and conversation make report that they dont find anything to hinder their proceeding in marriage
Joseph Howland and Beersheba Shearman, Daniel Smith and Rebecca Cornell, did appear for their answer, and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time, between this and the next Monthly meeting, observing the good order used amongst us, and John Potter and Benjamin Howland Junr are appointed to see Joseph Howland and Beersheba Shearman's marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly meeting, and William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith are appointed for the same service at the marriage of Daniel Smith and Rebecca Cornell and they to make report to the next Monthly meeting.
This Meeting doth accept of Prince Allen and his children to be under our care for time to come.
The matter concerning Benjn. Shearman Jur. is referred to the next Monthly meeting
The committee appointed to labor with Benjamin Tripp make report the he ought to condemn his opposing the officer in the manner he did and he cannot find freedom to comply with their judgment at present Therefore the matter is suspended,
The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report that they all attended it, and have produced an epistle from the same, which was read in this meeting and well accepted.
The matter concerning Benjamin Devoll is referred to the next Monthly meeting. and the same Friends are still continued in the same service, and they to draw up a paper of denial against him if they think necessary and bring it to the next Monthly meeting
The Treasurer has paid Antipas Hathaway ten shillings for mending glass

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4th mo William Sanford and David Smith have brought in an account to this meeting for repairing the Stable belonging to this meeting, and the lock of the drawer, and one quire of paper and one ink stand, all £2-10-6 old tenor, which this meeting accepts.

Philip Trafford requests that his children that he had by his first wife be taken under Friends care which this meeting grants, and accepts them to be under our care for the time to come

The women Friends inform that they have accepted of Lydia Cornell to be under their care which this meeting concurs with.

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 5th mo 1764.

Apponeganset meeting called, Joseph Smith and Samuel Smith present. For Acoaxet Daniel Wood present

John Potter and Benjamin Howland Jr make report that they attended the marriage of Joseph Howland and Beersheba Shearman and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order. William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith report that they attended the marriage of Daniel Smith and Rebecca Cornell, and saw nothing but it was likewise accomplished in good order.

The matter concerning Benjamin Shearman Jr is referred to the next Monthly meeting and Peleg Smith and William Anthony Jr are appointed to discourse with him concerning his not attending meetings and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Benjamin Devoll is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

Samuel Smith is appointed to take the subscriptions for George Fox's Journals, and endeavor to collect the money and send it up to the Yearly Meeting.

The Women Friends inform that they have accepted of Naomi Sisson to be under their care, and that they have denied Lydia Shearman from being one under their care, both which this meeting concurs with.

There hath been a report brought to this meeting that Stephen Wilcox hath so conducted in time past that he hath very much fallen short of discharging many of his debts, which have been due, which seems to be of an attendancy to bring a reproach on Friends. — therefore Peter Devoll, Philip Tripp, Peleg Huddlestone, Joseph Gifford and Joseph Tucker are appointed a Committee of inquiry and to discourse with him and make report to the adjournment of this meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 30th of this month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 30th of the 5th month 1764 the Representatives being called for Apponeganset Samuel Smith present, For Acoaxet none present,

The Committee make report that Stephen Wilcox desires that Friends would wait until the next Monthly meeting — therefore the matter is referred to said meeting.

Susanna Russell has exhibited a complaint against Job Howland for refusing to leave a controversy subsisting between them to arbitration, therefore Barnabas Mosher and Luke Hart are appointed a Committee of inquiry, and they to advise Job Howland to leave it to men if they think necessary and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

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6th month

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 6th month 1764
Apponeganset meeting called, Peleg Smith and Joseph Smith present, For Acoaxet Joshua Devoll present.

Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smith did lay their intention of marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly meeting for their answer.

The matter concerning Benja Shearman Junr is referred to the next Monthly meeting as is likewise that of Benjamin Devoll.

Samuel Smith has answered the appointment of last Monthly meeting and collected money enough for twelve of Fox's Journals

It is the advice of this meeting that if Stephen Wilcox can discharge his debts no otherwise, he ought to deliver up his estate to his creditors and notify them all as soon as may be and the same Committee is still continued to notify him of the conclusion of this meeting and assist him in advice and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Our esteemed friend Henry Stanton has visited this meeting with a certificate from Carteret County in North Carolina dated the 18th of the 4th month 1764, which being read was kindly accepted.

Peleg Smith, Humphrey Smith and Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and draw an epistle to the same and bring it to the adjournment

The Friends appointed to inquire into the controversy between Job Howland and Susanna Russell make report that they think it necessary to leave it to men,, and that they advised them to do it which he refused. Therefore Joseph Smith and Joseph Gifford are appointed to labor further with him and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

This meeting has collected £4.-4s-11d old tenor and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey three dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year.

This meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 6th of the 7th month 1764 the Representatives being called for Apponeganset, Peleg Smith and Joseph Smith present, For Acoaxet, none present The Queries have been read and answers prepared from both Preparative meetings and Peleg Smith Humphrey Smith and Wm. Anthony Jr. are appointed to compile the answers to the queries and deliver them to the Representatives

This meeting has signed and ordered to be sent an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

The women Friends inform that they have concluded to deny Ruth Eddy. Therefore David Smith is appointed to draw a paper of denial against her and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 7th month 1764
Apponegansett meeting called, David Smith and Saml Smith present, For Acoaxet Joseph Tripp and Ichabod Eddy present,

Stephen Hathaway produced a certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation in a degree clear,

Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smith did appear for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly meeting observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof and Wm. Anthony and Daniel Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order, and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Jemima Hoxie has produced a certificate from the Monthly meeting of Sandwich dated the 29th of the 6th Mo 1764. informing of her being of an orderly life and conversation, and under their care, and that she has settled her outward affairs. which this meeting accepts and she to be under our care,

Mary Tucker hath produced a certificate from Sandwich Monthly meeting held the 29th of the 6th mo 1764 which informs of her being in a good degree of an orderly life and conversation which this meeting accepts and she to be under our care for the time to come.

The matter concerning Benj Shearman Jur. is referred to the next Monthly meeting

Joseph Taber Jur has produced a paper to this meeting condemning his falling into the Sin of fornication, which this meeting appoints Caleb Russell to see that it be read at the end of a First day meeting for worship at Acushnet (and he to be present) and make report to the next Monthly meeting, and when said paper be read as aforesaid, the meeting concludes to accept of it for satisfaction. The matter concerning Benjamin Devoll is referred to the next Monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of Stephen Wilcox's affair, make report that he did not fully comply with the conclusion of last Monthly meeting, therefore the same committee are still continued to repeat the same advice to him and also to inform him, that this meeting desires him immediately to comply with the above said advice, and if he don't he must expect to be dealt with as an offender

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting being called upon, make report that they did all attend it and produced an epistle from the same which was read to good satisfaction. This meeting received two Epistles from London, one written and the other printed which were read to good satisfaction and as they contain many wholesome exhortations and advices, they are recommended to Friends' observation.

This meeting likewise received an epistle from the Yearly Meeting at Philadelphia dated the 9th Mo 1763. and one from our last Yearly Meeting held at Newport on Rhode Island

This meeting adjourns to the 25th day of this Instant.

This meeting being met according to adjournment, the Representatives being called for Apponegansett meeting David Smith and Samuel Smith present. For Acoaxet none present. This meeting has signed a paper of denial against Ruth Eddy for falling into the sin of fornication which is evident by her having a child soon after marriage, and Peleg Huddlestone is appointed to read it or get somebody to read it at the end of a First day meeting for worship at Acoaxet meeting house and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed last Monthly meeting to labor with Job Howland, make report that he declines to leave the controversy to men, therefore Jonathan Hussey Joseph Smith and Wm Anthony Jr are appointed a committee to have them face to face, and to labor to reconcile them, and if they can't, to advise them to leave their controversy to men. if they think proper and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

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8th month

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 8th mo 1764

Apponeganset meeting called, James Shearman and Caleb Russell, present. For Acoaxet Peter Devoll present, and the other Friend that was appointed at Acoaxet, sent an excuse which this meeting thinks sufficient

The Friends appointed to see Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smith's marriage consummated report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order.

This meeting doth accept of Benjamin Shearman Jr his paper for satisfaction condemning his misconduct in marriage and he to be under our care for the time to come.

Caleb Russell makes report that Joseph Taber's paper has been read according to the appointment of last Monthly meeting, which is as followeth viz. Dartmouth the 22d of the First month 1764. Dear friends; Whereas I, Joseph Taber Jr of Dartmouth have had my education among Friends, in a sober manner, and am also fully persuaded and confirmed in my mind of the truth of the doctrines and principles held forth by them, have notwithstanding through unwatchfulness and not taking that heed which I ought to have done, to that Divine principle of light and grace, fallen into the sin of fornication, which is evident by my wife's having a child soon after marriage, also my being married out of the unity of Friends all which I do hereby condemn, and am heartily sorry for, and desire the Lord may forgive me and Friends pass it by and let me remain under their care. Their Labor of love with me I do gratefully acknowledge, and hope it may not prove labor lost. From your friend
Joseph Taber Junr.

The matter concerning Benjamin Devoll is, referred to the next Monthly meeting and Christopher Gifford and Ichabod Eddy are appointed to have the care of the affair and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Peleg Huddlestone makes report that Ruth Eddy's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly meeting; which is as follows. Whereas Ruth Eddy daughter of William Gifford and Patience his wife was educated in the profession of us the people called Quakers, in Dartmouth, and did sometimes frequent our religious meetings but for the want of a faithful adherance to the dictates of that divine principle which was sufficient to have preserved her, hath been prevailed on to give way to the temptation of the enemy, so far as to be guilty of the sin of fornication, as doth appear by her having a child soon after marriage, and notwithstanding she hath been duly admonished and advised in order to bring her to a sight of her misconduct, but she still remaining obstinate we do therefore hereby disown the said Ruth Eddy to be of our Society until she come to witness that godly sorrow which worketh true repentance, which that the Lord may mercifully grant her is our sincere desire. — Signed by order and in behalf of the above said people in their Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 25th of the 7th month 1764
Job Russell, Clerk
Elizabeth Smith, Clerk for the day.

The affair concerning Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

The Committee appointed to inspect into the controversy subsisting between Job Howland and Susanna Russell, make report that it was their advice that he ought to leave to men the controversy, which he refuses to do; therefore he is looked upon as an offender, and John Russell 2d, John Potter, & William Barker, are appointed to inform him of the judgment of this meeting, and to labor with him as they shall find freedom, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

It is the conclusion of this meeting that the Visitors do still continue in the same service for one month longer.

Elijah Russell desires a certificate to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey signifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation, therefore

1764 8th mo Humphrey Smith and Benjamin Howland 2d are appointed to inspect into his conversation and draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Benjamin Tripp hath lain several months and nothing done, therefore Peleg Huddlestone and John Mosher are appointed to treat with him on that matter and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 9th month 1764, Apponegansett meeting called, Joseph Smith and Daniel Russell, present. For Acoaxet, Christopher Gifford and David Devoll, present.

The matter concerning Benjamin Devoll is referred to the next Monthly meeting. and Christopher Gifford is still continued according to the appointment of last Monthly meeting.

The matter concerning Stephen Wilcox is referred to next Monthly meeting.

This meeting has signed and sent a certificate to the Monthly meeting of Nantucket for Ann Coffin certifying her being in a good degree of an orderly life and conversation and under our care.

The matter concerning Job Howland is referred to the next Monthly meeting.

This meeting has signed a certificate for Elijah Russell to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey certifying his clearness from any entanglement respecting marriage and, in a degree, of an orderly conversation.

Joseph Mosher and his wife request to come under Friends' care, therefore Christopher Gifford and David Devoll are appointed to take an opportunity of conference with him on that account and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

Benjamin Tripp hath appeared in this meeting and made such satisfaction as Friends have taken up with.

Daniel Russell requests a removal certificate for his son Giles to the Oblong, therefore Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are appointed to draw one if they think proper and make inquiry into his life and conversation and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

The queries have been read and answers prepared by Apponegansett Preparative meeting. Joseph Tucker and his son Barzillai Tucker are appointed to draw an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and bring it to the adjournment.

The like case of Job Howland is to be sent up to the Quarterly Meeting for advice.

This meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the Representatives being called, Daniel Russell, Joseph Smith and David Devoll present.

Our esteemed Friend Robert Willis hath visited this meeting with a certificate from the Monthly meeting of Woodbridge in New Jersey, dated the 16th 5th mo 1764, which was read and well accepted.

The matter concerning choosing Visiters and Overseers is referred to the next Monthly meeting

Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker and Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the epistle and make report to the next Monthly meeting. The meeting hath signed and sent an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

The Quarterly collection is referred to the next Monthly meeting

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10th mo

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 10th month 1764.
Apponegansett meeting called Joseph Smith and Benjamin Howland Jr. present, For Acoaxet Ichabod Eddy and Israel Wood present.
Benjamin Wing and Mary Potter declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly meeting for their answer. and Peleg Huddlestone and Joseph Tripp, are appointed to make inquiry into Benjamin Wing's clearness as to marriage and conversation, and likewise to see if Mary Potter's estate be settled so that her children be not hurt by her said marriage, and make report to the next Monthly meeting.
The affair of Benjamin Devoll is referred to the next Monthly meeting; and Philip Allen and Adam Gifford are appointed to have inspection over him, and his conduct and make report to the next Monthly meeting.
Stephen Wilcox's case is referred to the next Monthly meeting. The case of Job Howland is referred to the next Monthly meeting on the account of informing him of the result of the Quarterly Meeting and Peleg Smith is appointed to inform him of said result and make report to the next Monthly meeting.
This meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Giles Russell certifying him to be in a degree of an orderly conversation and under our care directed to the Monthly meeting of the Oblong.
Humphrey Smith, Joseph Tucker and William Barker are appointed a standing committee pursuant to the direction of the late Book of Discipline in page 138.
Jonathan Hussey, David Smith, Samuel Smith, Benjamin Howland Junr. Wm. Mosher, Israel Wood, Joshua Cornell, and David Devoll are appointed to have the oversight of the people in the galleries, and other seats at our next annual meeting both here and at Acoaxet and to make report to the next Monthly meeting.
The Friends appointed to confer with Joseph Mosher make report that they have not both conferred with him by reason of indisposition. Therefore Ichabod Eddy and Daniel Devoll are appointed for the same service and they to make report to the next Monthly meeting.
William Hathaway requests to come under the care of Friends. Therefore Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are appointed a Committee to confer with him on that account and make report to the next Monthly meeting.
The Women Friends inform that they have minuted Hannah Mosher wife to William Mosher to be under their care which this meeting concurs with.

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19th day of the 11th month 1764
Apponegansett meeting called Joseph Smith and William Anthony Junr present
For Acoaxet John Mosher and Joseph Tripp present.
The Friends appointed to inspect into Benjamin Wing's clearness as to marriage and conversation make report that they have made inquiry and do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage and also that the widow's estate is settled according to Friends' orders. Benjamin Wing and Mary Potter appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly meeting, observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof and Peleg Huddlestone and Joseph Tripp are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly meeting.
The matter concerning Benjamin Devoll is referred to the next Monthly meeting and the same Committee are still continued in the same service, and to return the paper to him and inform him that there is a deficiency and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

1764 11th mo. The Women Friends inform that they have minuted Mary Kirby and Meribah Mosher under their care, which this meeting concurs with.
The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly meeting.
Whereas there hath been a complaint exhibited against Job Howland for Susanna Russell for refusing to leave a controversy subsisting between them to arbitration and he hath been sufficiently labored with and he appears obstinate and refuses Friends' advice therefore this meeting for the clearing of the blessed truth doth deny the said Job Howland from being one under our care,
This meeting adjourns till tomorrow at the tenth hour in the forenoon.

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 20th 11th mo 1764. The representatives being called for Apponegansett meeting, both present. For Acoaxet, Joseph Tripp, present, the other representative has made an excuse for his absence which this meeting accepts.
The friends appointed to have the oversight of the people in the galleries and other seats at our annual meeting, being called upon, make report that they attended agreeably to appointment, and that the people behaved in a good degree orderly.
The Committee appointed to confer with Joseph Mosher make report that he gave them good satisfaction. Therefore this meeting doth accept and minute him under our care. This meeting appoints Jonathan Devoll and Israel Wood, overseers for Acoaxet, and also appoints William Anthony Jr. and Job Russell overseers for Apponegansett, and also appoints Luke Hart and Barzillia Tucker overseers for Newtown. This meeting appoints Abraham Tucker and Caleb Russell, Visiters for Apponegansett, and Peter Devoll and Philip Tripp Visiters for Acoaxet.
The Committee appointed with William Hathaway make report that he gave them good satisfaction Therefore this meeting minutes him under our care.
This meeting grants the Friends living in Allen's Neck liberty to hold a meeting down there at some Friend's house, three First days in a month for three winter months, and the first Spring month, excepting the First day that precedes the Monthly meeting.
Whereas Isaac Howland Junr. hath married out of the unity of Friends, and hath been in the practice of the Slave Trade and hath never condemned the same to Friends satisfaction, - Which is referred to the Monthly meeting.
Nathaniel Sowle Junr. requests to come under Friends' care, there Ichabod Eddy and Israel Wood are appointed to take an opportunity of conference with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
Joseph Mosher desires a removal certificate to Smithfield. Therefore Israel Wood and Philip Tripp are appointed to make report inquiry into his outward affairs and draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 12th month 1764.
Apponegansett meeting called, David Smith and Wm Anthony Junr present.
For Acoaxet Philip Tripp and Israel Wood, present.
William Hathaway and Ruth Barker declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly meeting for their answer, and Caleb Russell and Joseph Smith are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness, as to marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly meeting. Whereas Benjamin Devoll hath fallen into the sin of fornication and he hath been sufficiently dealt with and refuses to make Friends satisfaction therefore this meeting thinks best for the clearing of the blessed truth, to disown

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him, and do appoint Isaac Smith to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Benjamin Wing and Mary Potter's marriage consummated make report that they attended the marriage and that it was consummated in tolerable good order.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly meeting, as is likewise the matter concerning Isaac Howland Junr. - and the representatives to the Quarterly meeting are appointed to treat with said Howland on that account, and inform him that his acknowledgement is too short, and wherein.

The Friends appointed to confer with Nathaniel Soule ye 2d. make report that he gave them good satisfaction therefore this meeting doth minute him under Friends' care.

This meeting has signed and sent a removal certificate to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield for Joseph Mosher and family. This meeting has signed and sent a certificate for Matthew Franklin to Flushing on Long Island.

The Friends at New Swanzey request liberty to hold a meeting there on First days, till the last of the 4th. month 1765, which this meeting grants, except the holding on the First days that precede our Monthly meeting days.

John Howland requests to come under Friends' care, therefore this meeting doth appoint William Bowditch and Joseph Gifford to confer with him on that account and make report to the next Monthly meeting.

John Smith the 3d. requests a certificate to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich respecting his clearness as to marriage and conversation. Therefore Luke Hart and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to inquire into the above said particulars, and draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly meeting.

This meeting has collected £7.-17s.-2d. old tenor, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey three dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year. - William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer, and make report to the next Monthly meeting. The Treasurer has paid Jonathan Hussey according to order.

The overseers of the meeting house are still continued for one year more.

Humphrey Smith, Samuel Smith, Wm. Anthony Jr. Caleb Russell and Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and compile the answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the same, and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting.

Job Howland requests an appeal from the judgment of this meeting to the Quarterly Meeting, which is granted.

This meeting adjourns to the 26th. day of this month.

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 26th. day of the 12th. month 1764 the Representatives being called for Apponegansett David Smith and William Anthony Junr present. For Acoaxet none present.

This meeting appoints David Smith clerk of this meeting for this day.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting have drawn an Epistle and compiled the answers to the Queries, which were brought to this meeting and the Epistle signed by the clerk and ordered to be sent up by the Representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 21st of the First Month 1765 — Ponaganset Meeting called, Joseph Smith and Caleb Russell present; for Coakset John Mosher present.

The friends appointed to make enquiry into William Hathaway's clearness as to marriage and conversation, make report that they do not find anything to hinder their proceeding in marriage

William Hathaway and Ruth Barker did appear for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, observing the good order established among us in the performance thereof and Caleb Russell and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in said order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting has signed a paper of denial against Benja Davil for the sin of fornication, but the reading of it is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and Philip Allen is appointed to inform him of the judgment of this Meeting and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, as is likewise the case concerning Isaac Howland Jr. And likewise the case concerning John Howland is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting has signed a certificate for John Smith Joseph's son to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich certifying his clearness as to marriage and conversation.

The friends appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer make report that they have answered their appointment and there is due to this Meeting £4 — 10s — 1d old Tenor.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report that three of them attended agreeable to appointment, and one of the other made an excuse which the Quarterly Meeting took up with, and Caleb Russell has made an excuse to this Meeting, and the said friends have produced an Epistle from the said Meeting, which was read in this Meeting, and well accepted.

Obadiah Allen has sent a paper to this Meeting condemning his falling into the sin of fornication, which was read in this Meeting and referred to the next Monthly Meeting for further Consideration

The women friends inform that they have denied Phebe Snell for marrying contrary to the order of Friends which this Meeting concurs with

Whereas Thomas Wing has married contrary to the order of Friends, and also has removed without a certificate and also Philip Davel has removed without a certificate and without Friends' advice — therefore Daniel Russell is appointed to labor with both of them for the aforesd offences in behalf of this Meeting when he goes to Oblong, and make report to this Meeting as soon as he can.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18th of the Second Month, 1765 — The representatives for Ponagansett are Joseph Smith and Caleb Russell, present — for Coakset, Philip Tripp and Israel Wood, present.

Ezekiel Comstock and Mary Russell declared their intentions of marriage at this meeting, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer.

The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of William Hathaway and Ruth Barker report that they both attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order. There was a paper of denial signed against Benja Davil at the last Monthly Meeting, and was referred to this Meeting to let him know the conclusion of said Meeting, and report being made that he still refuses to condemn his outgoings therefore Philip Tripp is appointed to read it at Coakset Meeting after the meeting of woship on a First day between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Stephen Wilcox and likewise that of Isaac Howland Jr are both referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of John Howland is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore.

Obadiah Allen's reference is still continued till next Monthly Meeting, and Peleg Huddlestone and Job Case are appointed to discourse with the young man, and also with the young woman that accused of him of the aforesd crime, and endeavor to have them face to face, and see if the young woman be fully satisfied, and make a report to the next Monthly Meeting.

George Handy requests to come under the care of Friends, therefore Joseph Smith and William Mosher are appointed to confer with him on that account and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Whereas Daniel Smith (Isaac's son) hath been accused of the sin of fornication for which offense he hath been discoursed with by the overseers and declines to condemn the same therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker and James Shearman to discourse further with him, and inform him that it is the mind of this Meeting that if he do not condemn his offence nor endeavor to make Friends satisfaction, that they are appointed to draw a paper of denial against him and to bring it to the next Monthly Meeting, and make report to the said Meeting.

Whereas Christopher Slocum hath been accused of the sin of fornication and hath been laboured with by one of the overseers and the visitors and gave them no satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Daniel Cornel and Samuel Smith to labour further with him, and also inform him that it is the mind of this Meeting that they should draw a paper of denial against him if he dont incline to condemn his offence and make Friends satisfaction, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Humphrey Smith and William Anthony Jr are appointed to draw a certificate for our worthy Friend Robert Willis, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Peleg Smith, Samuel Smith, Willm Anthony Jr. Job Russell Joseph Tucker, are appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting minutes to see what part they shall think proper to go on record, and they also to inspect into the affair relating to Abigail Kerby and prepare a minute for that purpose; if they think proper and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 18th day of the 3rd Month, 1765— Ponaganset Meeting called, John Potter, and William Anthony Jr present; for Coakset Joseph Tripp and Joshua Davel present.

Ezekiel Comstock hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting at Smithfield, certifying him to be in some good degree of an orderly life and conversation and clear from any entanglement, respecting marriage among them, which this Meeting accepts. Ezekiel Comstock and Mary Russell appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that purpose. And Peleg Smith and William Anthony, Jr are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Philip Tripp makes report that Benja Devel's denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows:

Whereas Benja Davel son of Reuben Davel, and Mary his wife of Dartmouth, in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, being one under the care of Friends, the people called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth, hath given way to the insinuations of the Evil One so as to fall into the sin of fornication, as is manifest by his wife's having a child soon after marriage, and all proper endeavors in love having been used to bring him to a sense of his outgoings, yet no sign of repentance appearing, we can do no less but to set him aside, denying him the said Benja Davel to be one under the care of us, the people called Quakers, yet sincerely desiring that he may come to a sense of his outgoings, and find mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in

Dartmouth, the 21st of the first month, 1765. And signed in and by order of said Meeting by

Job Russell, Clerk.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is refered to the next Monthly Meeting, and likewise the matter concerning Isaac Howland Jr is refered to the next Monthly Meeting. The case concerning Obadiah Allen is refered to the next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting

The matter concerning George Handy is refered to the next Monthly Meeting

The case concerning Daniel Smith is refered to the next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore.

The matter concerning Christopher Slocum is refered to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting's minutes make report, that they have perused said minutes and left them with Samuel Smith to be put on record, and have prepared a minute respecting Abigail Kerby which is approved by this Meeting and ordered to be recorded, and is as follows: Whereas, Abigail Kerby was some years past under dealing, as appears by our records, but there being no mention made therein that she made Friends satisfaction, by reason as we apprehend of the deficiency of the records (there being the minutes of several Monthly Meetings omitted), and it appearing now by living evidence that she did make Friends satisfaction by sending a paper into the Monthly Meeting, which was accepted, therefore this minute is made and recorded for a memorandum thereof.

Job Howland requests a hearing at the next Quarterly Meeting, and hath sent his reasons of his not prosecuting his appeal at the last Quarterly Meeting, which this Meeting grants, and the reasons to be sent to the aforesaid Meeting

The queries have been read in this Meeting, and answers prepared by both preparative Meetings.

Peleg Smith, Caleb Russell, Humphrey Smith, William Anthony Jr, Peter Davil are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and compile the answers to the Queries, and draw an Epistle to the same, and bring them to the adjournment

This Meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment, the 5th day of the 4th month, 1765 — the representatives being called, for Ponagansett, both present; for Coakset, Joseph Tripp, present.

The case of John Howland is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and William Sandford and Jonathan Hussie are appointed to take an opportunity of conference with him on accoun of his desire of being taken under Friends care, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The women friends inform, that they have accepted of Elizabeth Cornel to be under the care of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with: and they also inform that they have so far accepted Catharine Russell's paper condemning her outgoings in keeping company with Joshua Barker; with the provisal that she read said paper or get some Friend to read it at the end of a meeting for worship, she being present at Ponaganset Meeting House between this and the next Monthly Meeting; which this Meeting concurs with. This Meeting appoints Jonathan Hussey, David Smith, Samuel Smith to settle accounts with Daniel Russell and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to draw an Epistle, and compile the answers to the Queries, have answered their appointment, and the Epistle has been read and signed in this Meeting by the Clerk, and sent with the answers to the Queries to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 15th of the 4th month, 1765. — Ponaganset Meeting called, David Smith and Jonathan Hussey present — For Coakset, Peleg Huddlestone present.

The Friends, appointed to see Ezekiel Comstock and Mary Russell's marriage consummated, make report, that they attended the marriage, and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order. Peleg Smith, Peleg Huddlestone and William Anthony Jr. are appointed a committee to advise with Stephen Wilcox in behalf of this Meeting on the account of his debts he now labours under, and they to advise him to deliver all his Estate up to his creditors, if he can't answer them some other way before the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Isaac Howland Jr is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. The Friends, appointed to discourse with Obadiah Allen, make report that they have answered the appointment, and they don't find things quite clear; therefore the matter is referred under their care, and they to make report to this Meeting when they shall have opportunity to treat further with him. The case of George Handy is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. The case of Daniel Smith is referred to the next Monthly Meeting by the request of James Shearman. The case of Christopher Slocum is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, under the care of Humphrey Slocum. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report, that they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same, which was read in this Meeting and well accepted. The Friends appointed to discourse with John Howland make report that he gave them good sat-

1765. isfaction; therefore this Meeting accepts him to be under Friends' care. The Friends appointed to make up accounts with Daniel Russell make report that they have made up accounts and there remains due £4 – 11^{s} – 9^{d} old tenor, which he is to take in wood.

Peleg Slocum Jun requests to come under Friends' care, and has given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his former outgoings, which is refered to the next Monthly Meeting, and Benjamin Howland and Samuel Smith are appointed to discourse with him on that account, and to see if he has made satisfaction to the young woman that accused him, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Whereas Thomas Wilcox hath gone contrary to Friends' orders in times past in enlisting into the King's service, and took up arms, for which he hath given in a paper condemning his aforesaid offences, which this Meeting accepts for satisfaction, and he to remain under Friends care.

The women Friends inform that they have accepted Patience Sowle to be under Friends' care, and also that they have denied Charity Sowle, from under Friends' care, both which this Meeting concurs with.

This Meeting has collected three dollars.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 20th of the 5th month, 1765. Ponaganset Meeting called, David Smith and Samuel Smith present — For Coakset, John Mosher and Peleg Huddlestone, present.

The committee appointed to treat with Stephen Wilcox, make report that he desires longer time to try to discharge his debts in some other way. Therefore the matter is refered to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Isaac Howland Jr hath been in the practice of the slave trade, and likewise married out of the unity of Friends, and he hath been sufficiently labored with, and neglects to make satisfaction, therefore William Anthony Jr is appointed to inform him that this Meeting hath come to a conclusion to deny him, if he do not endeavor to make Friends Satisfaction at the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of George Handy is refered under the same care as heretofore. This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Daniel Smith for the sin of fornication, and William Anthony Jr is appointed to read it at the end of a meeting for worship between this and the next monthly Meeting, and report to said Meeting.

The women Friends inform that Susanna Clark hath produced a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting which they accepted, and this Meeting concurs therewith.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against

Christopher Slocum for the sin of fornication and Job Russell is appointed to read it at the end of a First-day meeting of worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and he to make report to said Meeting.

The committee appointed to treat with Peleg Slocum jr make report that he hath made the young woman satisfaction, that accused him of the sin of fornication, and also that he gave them good satisfaction; which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Ebenezer Allen (James' son) requests to come under Friends' care. Therefore Peleg Smith and Samuel Smith are appointed to take an opportunity of conference with him on that account, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Stephen Russell requests a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, therefore Caleb Russell and William Sandford are appointed to enquire into his conversation and draw one for him, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Weston Briggs and his wife request a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich. Therefore James Shearman and Paul Russell are appointed to enquire into his conversation, and the circumstance of his outward affairs and they to join with the women Friends to draw a certificate for them, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting met the 17th of the 6th mo, 1765. Ponaganset called, James Shearman and Paul Russell present. For Coakset, Benja Tripp and David Davil present.

Whereas this Meeting happening while the Yearly Meeting of Rhode-Island is in being, therefore this Meeting thinks proper to adjourn, and do adjourn to the 24th of this instant at the usual hour of the day on other Monthly Meetings.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment this 24th of the 6th month, 1765, the Representatives being called and all present. The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the care of Joseph Tucker, Joseph Gifford and Humphrey Slocum, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Isaac Howland jr hath given in a paper signifying his sorrow for his outgoings in using the slave trade, and in marrying out of the unity of Friends, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. The reports brought in concerning George Handy being to satisfaction, therefore this Meeting accepts the said George Handy to be in membership and under Friends care. William Anthony jr makes report that Daniel Smith's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting. Which paper is as follows:— Whereas Daniel Smith son of Isaac Smith, and Mary his wife, hath had his education among Friends, the people called Quakers, nevertheless not keeping to that unerring guide, the Spirit of Truth, hath fallen into that scandalous sin of fornication, as he hath been accused, and not clearing himself, nor writing to condemn it to Friends' satisfaction, although there hath been considerable pains taken with him in order for his recovery; therefore for the clearing of Truth we can well do no less than give this forth as a public testimony against him, the said Daniel Smith, denying him to be one in unity with us the aforesaid People and from under, our care, yet desiring if it be the will of God, that he may come to a sight and sense of his outgoings, and through unfeigned repentance find mercy

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th day of the 5th month, 1765, and signed by order and in said Meeting by Job Russell, Clerk.

Job Russell makes report that Christopher Slocum's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting. Which paper is as follows, viz;

Whereas Christopher Slocum of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England, having had his education and made profession with us, the people called Quakers; yet through unwatchfulness and a disregard to the testimony of Truth in himself hath given occasion for a scandalous report that he hath committed the reproachful sin of fornication, and he not clearing himself of the crime, but after due inquiry we have reason to believe it is true, and Friends having labored with him in a spirit of love and meekness in order to bring him to a sight of his error, but their care and labor proving ineffectual, therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such enormities, this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a public testimony against him disowning him the said Christopher Slocum from being a member of our community, and from under our care; sincerely desiring if it be the will of God, that he may yet come to a true sight of his great evil, and through unfeigned repentance find acceptance with Him. Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 20th day of the 5th month, 1765. Signed in and by order of said Meeting by Job Russell, Clerk.

The case of Peleg Slocum 2d is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to confer with Ebenezer Allen 2d, make report that he gave them good satisfaction; therefore this Meeting accepts him into membership, and under Friends care, and the women Friends inform, that they have minuted his wife under Friends care, which this Meeting concurs with.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the circumstance of Weston Briggs, and draw a certificate for him, make report, that thing is not quite clear; therefore the same Friends are continued for the same Service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Whereas Thomas Akin hath gone contrary to Friends' orders in several respects, and Friends not having an opportunity to labor with him until lately, and he not inclining to make satisfaction, therefore this Meeting denies the said Thomas Akin from under Friends' care.

Philip Davel and his wife have sent a paper to this Meeting from Oblong condemning their removing without the unity of Friends, and they desire a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong. Therefore Isaac Smith and Paul Russell are appointed to inquire into his conversation and circumstances in regard to his outward affairs, and they to join the women Friends to draw a certificate for them, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Thomas Wing hath sent a paper to this Meeting condemning his marrying out of the unity of Friends, and desires a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong; which this Meeting so far accepts as to appoint Peter Davel and Philip Tripp to inquire into his other conversation, and draw a certificate for him, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The queries have been read in this Meeting and answers prepared by Ponaganset Preparative Meeting.

Peleg Smith, Humphrey Smith, Peter Davel and Joshua Davel are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to draw an Epistle to the same and bring it to the adjournment.

This Meeting adjourns to the first sixth day of next month.

This Meeting being mett according to adjournment the 5th day of the 7th mo 1765 — The representatives being called, Paul Russell, Benja Tripp and David Davel present. This Meeting has signed an Epistle and sent it with the answers to the queries to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives.

The women Friends inform that they have discharged themselves in labouring with Phebe Wilbour for the sin of fornication, and she declines to make Friends satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Samuel Smith to draw a paper of denial against her and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting. The Treasurer has paid Jonathan Hussey five dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year.

The women Friends inform that they have minuted Judith Hicks, daughter of Thos Hicks under Friends care, which this Meeting concurs with.

1765 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 15th day of the 7mo 1765. — Ponaganset Meeting called, Joseph Smith and Samuel Smith present. — For Coakset, Daniel Wood and Joseph Tripp present.

Zephaniah Anthony and Waite Allen declared their intentions of marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness as to marriage and conversation; and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is refered to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting cannot find freedom to accept of Isaac Howland's paper by reason of his appeal, and some friends questioning his sincerity; therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting accepts of Peleg Slocum's the 2d paper, provided he will read it or get somebody to read it at the end of a First day meeting for worship, he being present, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting has signed a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong for Sibil Sisson. This Meeting has signed a removal certificate for Weston Briggs and his wife to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich.

The Friends appointed to draw a certificate for Philip Davel and his wife, have drawn one too short, therefore the same Friends are still appointed to draw one fuller and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to draw a certificate for Thomas Wing make report, that they have not drawn one, therefore they are still continued to draw one and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting, if they think proper.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, make report that they all attended, except Peleg Smith and he sent an excuse which was accepted; and they have produced an Epistle from the said Meeting, which hath been read in this Meeting, and well accepted.

This Meeting hath received three printed Epistles from London; one written Epistle from Flushing on Long Island, and one Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Newport on Rhode Island; all of which was read to good satisfaction.

This Meeting has signed a paper of denial against Phebe Wilbor for the sin of fornication, and Job Russell is appointed to read it at the end of a Meeting for worship on a First day between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and make return of said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

Received the following minute from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting respecting John Gifford: — From our Monthly Meeting held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island, the 30th of the 4th mo. 1765. — This Meeting gives their approbation that Dartmouth Monthly Meeting receive into unity John Gifford, if they think him worthy, notwithstanding his place of abode is within the verge of this Monthly Meeting — True copy of the minute — Test, Thomas Gould, Clerk.

This Meeting accepts of John Gifford to be in membership with Friends, and under the care of this Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 8th mo 1765. — Ponagansett called, William Anthony Jr. present — For Coakset, Philip Tripp and Joshua Davil present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Zephaniah Anthony's clearness make report, that they do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Zephaniah Anthony and Wait Allen appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Davil and Patience Soule declared their intention of taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Benjamin Tripp and Israel Wood are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Isaac Howland Jr is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to draw a certificate for Philip Davil and his wife, have drawn one, which is signed in this Meeting and sent to the Oblong.

The Friends appointed to draw a certificate for Thomas Wing have done it, which was signed, and sent to the Oblong.

Phebe Wilber's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which is as follows: — Whereas Phebe Wilber, daughter of Samuel and Mary Chase, and now wife to Henry Wilbor, having had her education among Friends and under the care of this meeting, but through unwatchfulness, and disregarding the testimony of Truth, hath fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, as appears by her being delivered of a child soon after marriage, and this Meeting having labored with her in love, in order for her recovery, but she proving obstinate and regardless of the tender counsel to her given; therefore for the clearing of the precious Truth, that we profess from such enormities, this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a public testimony against her, disowning her the said Phebe Wilber from being a member of our Society, and from under the care of this Meeting, desiring if it be consistent

1765. with Divine pleasure, that she may yet be convinced of the error of her ways, and by a sincere repentance find favor with the Lord. Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 15th day of the 7th mo. 1765, and signed in and in behalf of said Meeting by
Job Russell, Clerk.

Lilless Beard's paper condemning her outgoing hath been read according to the appointment of the women's Monthly Meeting; and is as follows:— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends in Dartmouth — Esteemed Friends; This may inform you that through unwatchfulness I have gave way so far to the Enemy as to go contrary to the good order of the Church, which appears by my having a child born so soon after marriage, for which I am sorry and condemn my outgoings. I hope God will forgive me, and desire Friends so far to pass it by as to let me remain under their care. Given under my hand the 13th of the 7th month, 1765. Lillis Beard.

Catharine Russell's paper hath been read according to the appointment of the Monthly Meeting, though not so soon as the former minute expressed, which this Meeting overlooks; which said paper is as follows:— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at Dartmouth, to be held the 19th of the 11th mo, 1764 — Esteemed Friends:— I heartily acknowledge my outgoings in keeping company with Joshua Barker in too free and frequent a manner, to the dishonour of Truth and the grief of Friends; but though my offences have been great, yet through the goodness of God I have been favored with a sight and sense of my outgoings for which my outgoings I am heartily sorry and do condemn, hoping God will forgive me my offences and receive me again into favour, and desire Friends would pass by my disorderly walking, and let me remain under their care, which I value highly, hoping through Divine assistance for the time to come to be preserved in a state of circumspect walking.
From your friend, Catharine Russell.

David Briggs requests to come under Friends' care. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint William Sanford and William Barker to take an opportunity of conference with him on his request, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The women Friends inform that they have minuted Elizabeth White, wife of William White, and also Elizabeth Macumber, wife to Zebedee Macumber, under Friends care, which this Meeting concurs with. The overseers inform that there is a bad report concerning Josiah Wood and William Wilcox, their salting up beef and exposing it to sale, which was not merchantable; and they have made some inquiry, and do not find things clear, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Daniel Cornell, Seth Shearman, John Potter, a committee, to make further inquiry into the particular circumstances between them in the aforementioned report, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Peleg Slocum's paper hath been read, according to the order of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth, viz: To the Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth; Whereas I, Peleg Slocum, son of Holder Slocum (deceased) having been educated amongst Friends, but in my youthful days through unwatchfulness so far gave way to the Enemy as twice to fall into the sin of fornication, as appears first, by my wife's having a child before marriage; and secondly with Phebe Hussey, for which I was justly disowned by Friends; now these are to testify to Friends, and openly declare to all people, that I do utterly condemn, and am heartily sorry for the above said crimes, with all other my outgoings; and I hope the Almighty will forgive me all my offences, and I desire Friends would so far pass them by as to receive me again under their care. Given forth under my hand this 15th day of the 6th mo. 1765.

Peleg Slocum.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th day of the 9th mo. 1765 — Ponaganset Meeting called, Caleb Russell and Humphrey Smith present. — For Coakset, David Davel and Ichabod Eddy present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of Benjamin Davel, make report that they don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage. Benja Davel and Patience Sowle appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose — and Benja Tripp and Israel Wood are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Zephaniah Anthony and Wait Allen's marriage consummated, make report, that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Isaac Howland Jr hath sent a paper to this Meeting some months ago signifying his sorrow for his outgoings in marrying out of the unity of Friends, and also his using the slave trade, which this Meeting accepts.

The committee appointed to confer with David Briggs on his request to come under Friends' care, make report, that he gave them good satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth minute the said David Briggs into membership and under Friends care.

The committee appointed to make inquiry into the circumstances of the affair concerning Josiah Wood and William Wilcox, make report, that they have not had an opportunity to speak with both of them; therefore the same committee are still continued in the same service, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting hath sold thirty cord of wood to Doctor Hathaway at two shillings, lawful

1765 money per cord to discharge part of his demands for doctoring of Stephen Wilcox's family; and Thos Hicks Jr is appointed to see the wood measured and make report to this Meeting as soon as he can conveniently.

Edmund Maxfield requests to come under Friends' care. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker to make inquiry into his conversation, and to confer with him on the account of his request, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. The queries have been read in this Meeting and answers prepared by both Preparative Meetings, and read in this Meeting. William Anthony, Jr and Samuel Smith are appointed to compile the answers to the queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and bring them to the adjournment.

This Meeting hath collected £8–4s–5d old tenor.

This Meeting adjourns to the first sixth day in next month.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment the 4th day of the 10th month, 1765.— the Representatives being called; for Ponagansett, Humphrey Smith and Caleb Russell present; for Coaksett none present. William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith have drawn the Epistle, and compiled the answers to the queries, and the Epistle has been signed in this Meeting, and sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives, with the answers to the queries. The Representatives are Peter Daval, Israel Wood and Caleb Russell. This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Rebecca Shove to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey; and likewise signed one for Mary Comstock to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield.

John Sisson hath removed to the Nine Partners without Friends' advice, and without a certificate, therefore Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are appointed to enquire into his circumstances, and also labor with him, if they have an opportunity, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Mary Wing hath removed without a certificate, some years ago to Rhode Island, and she not standing clear, as appears by our former minutes, therefore, Humphrey Smith, Samuel Smith, William Anthony Jr are appointed to draft a letter to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island, as they shall think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 10th month, 1765.— Ponagansett Meeting called; Caleb Russell and Joseph Smith present— for Coakset, Joseph Tripp, and Ichabod Eddy present.

This Meeting hath received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held at Philadelphia, for Pensilvania and New=Jersey, dated the 9th mo, 1764, which was read in this Meeting to good satisfaction.

John Howland and Hannah Smith declared their intentions of marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Jonathan Hussey and Caleb Russell are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Benja Davel and Patience Sowl's marriage consummated, make report that they attended the marriage, and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order. The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Hannah Russell, wife of Elijah Russell hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey, which this Meeting accepts.

This Meeting has signed a list (for the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich) of the Friends that live the eastward side of Quishnet river, that was under transgression, when the former list was given, who has since made this Meeting satisfaction.

The committee appointed to enquire into the circumstances of Josiah Wood and William Wilcox's salting and exposing beef to sale not merchantable, make report, that they think they are neither of them clear; therefore John Potter Daniel Cornel, Seth Shearman, Thos Hicks Jr, Paul Russell, David Smith, Samuel Smith, are appointed a committee to hear and determine upon the complaint brought against them and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. The Friends appointed to confer with Edmund Maxfield, make report, that he gave good satisfaction; therefore this Meeting doth refer the matter till the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting being called, make report, that two of them attended and the other made a satisfactory excuse, and they have produced an Epistle from the same which was read to good satisfaction.

It has been proposed at this Meeting for Friends to enlarge the little Meeting House, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. Jonathan Hussey, John Potter, Caleb Russell, Samuel Smith, Barzillai Tucker, Daniel Cornell, David Smith are appointed to oversee the Yearly Meeting, to prevent any indecency that may happen at that time, and also Benja Tripp, David Daval, John Moshey, Daniel Wood are appointed for the same service at Coakset Meeting; and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Abigail Slates has given in a paper to this Meeting condemning her falling into the sin of fornication, which this Meeting accepts, provided she read it or get somebody to read it at the end of a First day Meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, she being present.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 11th mo, 1765. — Ponaganset Meeting called; Joseph

1765. Smith and Caleb Russell present. — For Coakset, David Davel and John Mosher present. The Friends appointed to make inquiry into John Howland's clearness, make report that they don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

John Howland and Hannah Smith did appear for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the Overseers for that purpose; and Jonathan Hussey and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

Seth Russell and Kaziah Walker declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are appointed to make enquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred under the same care as heretofore.

The committee appointed to hear and determine upon the complaint brought against Josiah Wood and Wm Wilcox, make report that they have had a conference with Josiah Wood, and they think he ought to condemn his misconduct in that affair publicly, and the said Wood hath accordingly given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his selling beef to William Wilcox that was not merchantable, which this Meeting accepts provided he will read said paper or cause it to be read at the end of a First day meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, he being present. And the same committee are still continued to confer with said Wilcox and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting minutes Edmund Maxfield under Friends' care. Amey Hart hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning her falling into the sin of fornication with the rest of her misconduct in that case, which this Meeting refers to the next Monthly Meeting The proposal for enlarging the little Meeting House is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed overseers at the Yearly Meeting to endeavor to prevent any indecency that may happen at that time, make report that they attended the Meeting, and that the people behaved in a good degree orderly; and they think the practice of appointing overseers for that purpose has a good attendency.

Philip Shearman hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in falling into a bodily strife with Daniel Pabody. The Friends down in Allen's Neck, request the liberty to hold a meeting there for four months from this time on First days, which is granted; and Philip Allen and Daniel Cornell are appointed to see that the meeting be held agreeable to good order, and they to make report thereof at the expiration of the four months. The Friends at New Swanzey request the liberty to hold a Meeting at some convenient place up there for four months on First days; which this Meeting grants, and

Elihu Bowen and Abraham Russell are appointed to see that the Meeting be held according to good order and they to make report at the end of the four months.

John Sisson requests a certificate to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine Partners; therefore Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are appointed to draw a certificate for him, if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Abigail States' paper hath been read according to the appointment of the last Monthly Meeting and is as follows:— —

To the Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held in Dartmouth the 21st day of the 10th mo 1765.— This may inform you that by unwatchfulness I have fallen into the sin of fornication, which I do condemn and hope that God will forgive me, and desire that Friends would forgive, and pass by my offences, and let me remain under their care as before.

Abigail States.

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 16th day of the 12th month 1765. — Ponaganset Meeting called; Paul Russell and Caleb Russell present. — For Coakset, Peter Davel and Benja Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Seth Russell's clearness, make report that they don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage. Seth Russell and Kaziah Walker appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Jonathan Hussey and Joseph Smith make report that they attended the marriage of John Howland and Hannah Smith, and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in good order

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Josiah Wood's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which paper is as follows:— viz:—

— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 18th day of the 11th month, 1765. —— Through unwatchfulness I have sold beef to William Wilcox, that was not merchantable, for which I am sorry and do condemn, hoping that God will forgive me, and I desire that Friends would pass it by.

Josiah Wood.

The committee appointed to confer with William Wilcox report that they have not had an opportunity to speak with him; therefore the same committee are still continued in the same service, and also to labor with him for enlisting into the King's service, and taking up Arms. and also to

1765 treat with him about his marrying out of the unity of Friends, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Amey Hart is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. It hath been proposed at this Meeting to enlarge the little Meeting House; therefore this Meeting doth appoint Jos Gifford; Wm Sanford Humphrey Smith, Prince Allen, Barnabas Mosher, a committee to consider the advantages and disadvantages that may attend the enlargement, and also compute the cost, as near as they can, and make report to the adjournment

This Meeting doth so far accept of Philip Shearman's paper condemning his disorder as for him to read it or cause it to be read at the end of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and he to be present.

George Smith Jr hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in 'listing in board of a privateer, with all the rest of his conduct in supporting of war; which this Meeting accepts, and he to remain under Friends' care.

Isaac Howland Jr requests a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode-Island. Therefore Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony Jr are appointed to draw one for him, if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting and William Anthony; Jr and Humphrey Smith are appointed to draw an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and compile the answers to the queries, and bring them to the adjournment.

Coakset Meeting requests to have a Monthly Meeting granted them, which this Meeting so far concurs with, as to refer the matter to the next Monthly Meeting for consideration.

This Meeting hath collected £6 — 15^s —

This Meeting adjourns to the first sixth day in next month.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment, this 3rd day of the first month, 1766. — The representatives being called, for Ponaganset, Caleb Russell present. — For Coakset, Benj Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to consider the advantages and disadvantages of enlarging the little Meeting House, make report in writing, which is referred to the Monthly Meeting to be holden in the fourth month next, and the report to be kept upon file 'till then.

The Friends appointed to compile the answers to the queries and draw an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, have done it, and the Epistle was signed in this Meeting, and ordered to be carried up to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives, together with the answers to the queries. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are Caleb Russell, Joseph Smith, Benja Tripp.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th day of the first month, 1766.— Ponaganset Meeting called, Caleb Russell and Wm Anthony Jr. present. For Coakset, Philip Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to see Seth Russell and Kaziah Walker's marriage consummated, make report that they attended the marriage, which was accomplished in good order.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. The Friends appointed to labor with William Wilcox, make report that they labored with him; and he desires one month more to endeavor to make Friends satisfaction; therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Philip Shearman's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:—

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the 11th mo. 1765.— These are to inform that I some time past through unwatchfulness, unhappily fell into a bodily strife with Daniel Pabody, whereby blows were passed between us. For which, I am heartily sorry, and do condemn, and I hope Friends will pass by my offence, and let me remain under their care.

Given forth under my hand this 15th day of the 11th month, 1765—

Philip Shearman.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island for Isaac Howland Jr.

This Meeting adjourns to the 29th instant.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment, the 29th day of the first month 1766— the representatives being present.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make report that they all attended said Meeting, and have produced an epistle from the same, which was read, and well accepted in this Meeting.

Coakset Friends request to have a Monthly Meeting set off to them — is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Bridget Potter, wife to Stephen Potter, hath given in a paper to this Meeting, condemning her outgoings in marrying out of the unity of Friends, with all the rest of her outgoings, which this Meeting accepts; and this Meeting hath signed a certificate for her to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine Partners.

The committee appointed some months ago to treat with Obadiah Allen on the account of his sincerity in giving in a paper to the Meeting, condemning his outgoings in falling into fornication, together with the rest of the circumstances relating to that case, make report that, (they not having an opportunity to treat with him 'till lately) that they do not find him clear in all the above mentioned circumstances; therefore this Meeting doth appoint Daniel Russell and Nicholas Howland to join with the aforesaid committee, to treat further with him, for all the offences that may appear against him, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Russell requests to come under Friends care with his wife and family, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

1766 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 2d Month. 1766.— Ponaganset Meeting called; Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith present.— For Coakset, Joseph Tripp and Israel Wood present

The case of Stephen Wilcox is refered to next Monthly Meeting. The committee, appointed to treat with Wm Wilcox, make report that they have laboured with him for enlisting into the King's service, and taking up Arms, and also marrying out of the unity of Friends, and neglecting to attend meetings for worship: which disorders he gave them encouragement of condemning at this Meeting, though he still neglects it. Therefore this Meeting finding themselves clear in labouring with him, and do conclude to deny the said Wm Wilcox, and do appoint David Smith and Samuel Smith to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting; and Timothy Russell is appointed to inform him of the conclusion of this Meeting, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Coakset Friends still request to have a Monthly Meeting set off to them, and also desire a committee to determine where to prefix the boundaries between this and that Meeting, and all circumstances relating thereto. Therefore Humphrey Smith, Philip Tripp, Samuel Smith, Daniel Wood, Joseph Tucker, are appointed a committee for that purpose, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to treat with Obadiah Allen, make report, that they have discoursed with him, and he gave them encouragement, that he would write to the next Monthly Meeting, which is refered to the said Meeting, under their care.

Joseph Russell's and his wife's request to come under Friends' care is refered to the next Monthly Meeting.

Samuel Howland Jr hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his outgoings in removing without Friends' advice, which this Meeting accepts; and the said Howland requests a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield in Rhode Island Colony, for himself and children. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Peleg Huddlestone, and Philip Tripp, a committee to inquire into his circumstances, and draw a certificate for him, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker, Humphrey Smith, Job Russell, Samuel Smith a committee to peruse the Monthly Meeting's minutes, to see what part they shall think proper to be put on record, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Jonathan Hussey and William Sandford are appointed a committee to make up accounts with the Overseers of the Poor and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Coakset Preparative Meeting informs that, Paul Mosher hath married out of the unity of Friends, and hath been dealt with by the overseers, and declines to condemn his offense; therefore Benja Tripp and Joseph Tripp are appointed to labour further with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Amey Hart hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning her outgoings in falling into the sin of fornication, which this Meeting accepts with the provisal, that she read it or cause it to be read at the close of a First day Meeting for worship at Newtown, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, she being present, and return the paper to the said Meeting.

The overseers inform this Meeting that Francis Allen and Benja Allen hath allowed of fiddling and dancing in their houses, for which the said overseers have laboured with them and they decline to condemn the offence to Friends' satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Gifford and Barzillai Tucker to labour further with them, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 17th day of the 3rd month, 1766.— The representatives are; for Coakset, Philip Tripp and Daniel Wood, present— for Ponaganset, Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith, present.

David Briggs and Rebecca Howland, and Edmund Maxfield and Rachel Russell, and William Hart Jr and Esther Slade, declared their intentions of marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answers. And John Potter and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to make inquiry into David Briggs' clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. And Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher are appointed for the same service with Edmund Maxfield and Wm Hart Jr, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Timothy Russell reports that he hath informed Wm Willcox agreeable to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting; and also David Smith and Samuel Smith hath drafted a denial against said Willcox, and presented it to this Meeting, which hath been read and signed by the clerk, and said clerk is ordered to read said denial publicly at the close of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and make report to said Meeting.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The women Friends inform that they have minuted Ruth Tripp, Rebecca Tripp, and Lydia Tripp under their care, which this Meeting concurs with.

The committee appointed to discourse with Obadiah Allen make report that he hath not writ anything to this Meeting agreeable to his talk some time past; therefore his case is referred (on the request of his father) unto the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Russell and his wife hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning their disorder in marriage and also

1766. they desire to come under Friends' care with their children, which this Meeting so far accepts as to appoint Joseph Tucker and Joseph Gifford to treat with them and their children that have attained to the years of understanding, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

William Brown hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket to this Meeting, which hath been read and accepted.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield for Samuel Howland Jr and his children.

The committee appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting minutes make report that they have not perused said minutes; therefore they are still continued in the same service and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to adjust accounts with the Overseers of the Poor make report that all accounts are balanced between this Meeting and the said Overseers.

The committee appointed to treat with Paul Mosher make report that they have not had an opportunity with said Mosher, therefore the said committee are still continued in the same service; and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Amey Hart's paper hath been read according to the order of last Monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Allen hath given in a paper condemning his allowing of fiddling and dancing in his house at the time of husking, which this Meeting accepts.

The Friends appointed to treat with Francis Allen report that they have not had an opportunity to speak with him; therefore, they are still continued in the same service and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 26 day of this instant.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment the 26 day of the 3rd. mo. 1766.— The representatives being called; Caleb Russell, Samuel Smith, Philip Tripp and Daniel Wood present.

The committee appointed to fix the boundaries between this and the Monthly Meeting requested to be set off at Coakset, make report, that they have agreed upon the boundaries and other things relating to Coakset being set off as a Monthly Meeting; which report is as follows, viz:— According to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, we have described a line for the boundaries between the Monthly Meetings of Ponaganset and Coakset as follows; Beginning at the south-easternmost corner of Benjamin Wing's homestead farm, from thence to Coakset river as the line of said Benjamin's land goes; thence southerly by said river to the sea; again from said corner first mentioned thence northerly in the line between said villages until it comes to the country road; thence on a straight line to the nearest part of the westernmost branch of Noquechuck river; thence by said branch of said river 'till it comes to Freetown line.

We have likewise concluded for Coakset Friends to have about one third part of the books belonging to the Monthly Meeting, and likewise that they be supplied with a Transcript of the Book of Discipline, at the cost of the whole, and also that the Monthly Meeting's debts be paid in the same proportion that shall be due when the Meeting is divided; but the Friends, that are now under relief, are to be supported where they are, and Coakset Friends to quit their claim of the Meeting House lands in Ponaganset.

Dated the 26th of the 3rd month, 1766.—

Joseph Tucker Daniel Wood.
Humphrey Smith Samuel Smith.
Philip Tripp.

Joseph Roach Jr hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, to this Meeting, which hath been read and accepted. The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting. Caleb Russell, William Anthony Jr. Samuel Smith, Thos Hicks Jr, are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and compile the answers to the queries, and draw an Epistle to the same, and bring them to the adjournment, of this Meeting.

The overseers inform, that William Smith, the 2d, has gone contrary to good order in marrying out of the unity of Friends; for which he hath been labored with by the overseers and declines to make satisfaction. Therefore John Potter and William Barker are appointed to labour further with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers also inform that Lemuel Smith hath fallen into the sin of fornication, and hath been labored with by them, and he neglects to condemn his outgoings; therefore Paul Russell and Luke Hart are appointed to labor further with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the first sixth day of next month.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment, the 4th day of the 4th mo, 1766.— The representatives being called, Caleb Russell, Samuel Smith, and Philip Tripp present.

The Friends appointed to compile the answers to the queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting have fulfilled their appointment, and the Epistle has been signed in this Meeting, and sent up by the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting with the answers to the queries.

This Meeting hath signed and sent a letter to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong, signifying that this Meeting hath received

1766. their letter concerning Daniel Tripp, which is as followeth:- --

From our Monthly Meeting held at Oblong the 20th of the 2d Month, 1766.— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at Dartmouth. Dear Friends: 'We hereby acquaint you, that whereas Daniel Tripp resided some time amongst us, and was for some years a member of our Society, but by marrying out from among us, contrary to the advice of Friends, for which he was dealt with, but proving refractory, after some time he was testified against. Soon after which he set up a separate meeting, which he kept for a considerable time, to the great dissatisfaction of Friends; and since he has moved to your parts we understand he frequents Friends Meetings, and publicly appears as a minister amongst you. Therefore we send you the above lines to let you know the circumstance he stood in at the time when he removed from these parts.

Signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting, by
Zebulon Ferris, Clerk.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 4th mo. 1766.— Ponaganset Meeting called, John Potter, and Wm Anthony Jr present. — For Coakset, Peleg Huddlestone and Joseph Tripp, present.

David Briggs and Rebecca Howland, and Edmund Maxfield and Rachel Russell, and Wm Hart Jr. and Esther Slade appeared for their answers, which was that each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and John Potter and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to see David Briggs' and Rebecca Howland's marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting; and Paul Russell and William Mosher are appointed to see Edmund Maxfield's and Rachel Russell's marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting: and Joseph Smith and Barnabas Moshr are appointed for the same service with Wm Hart Jr and Esther Slade, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. ...

William Wilcox's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:— 'Whereas William Wilcox, son of William Wilcox, deceased, and Dorothy, his wife, having been under the care of this Meeting, yet through unwatchfulness, and disregarding the testimony of Truth has so far deviated from our Holy Profession as to fall into several reproachful things, and disorders, particularly in enlisting and going into the military service, and marrying out of the order of Friends, likewise in selling such beef as was not merchantable to the defrauding of the buyer, and also in neglecting to attend our religious meetings of public worship; and Friends having repeated their labor of love and advice toward him, in order to discover to him the evil of his ways, but their labor not obtaining its desired effect to the satisfaction of this Meeting; therefore for the clearing of the precious Truth and Friends from the reproach thereof, this Meeting gives this forth as a public testimony against him, disowning him the said William Wilcox, from being one of our community, and from under the care of this Meeting, yet desiring his return from the way of error, and that by the door of true repentance he may find mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 17th day of the 3rd mo. 1766. and signed in and in behalf of said Meeting, by Job Russell, Clerk.

Whereas Obadiah Allen hath been in the practice of gaming, and hath been dealt with, and declines to make Friends satisfaction, therefore Friends can't find freedom to accept of his condemning his falling into the sin of fornication. Therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore.

Meriah Smith hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich to this Meeting, which hath been read and accepted.

The women Friends inform that they have minuted Rebecca Russell, daughter of Joseph Russell, under their care, which this Meeting concurs with.

The committee appointed to treat with Joseph Russell, his wife, and family on their request to come under Friends' care, make a satisfactory report; therefore this Meeting accepts them under Friends' care

The Friends, appointed to review the Monthly Meeting's minutes, to see what part must go on record, make report, that they have fulfilled their appointment, and left said minutes with Samuel Smith to be recorded.

The Friends, appointed overseers in the Meeting held in Allen's Neck, report that they attended the Meeting, and saw nothing but that it was carried on decently, and in good order.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended said Meeting, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read, and well accepted; and the Quarterly Meeting hath granted our request to have a Monthly Meeting of men and women Friends set off at Coakset according to the boundaries prefixed, and this Meeting concludes for Coakset Friends to hold their Monthly Meeting the Seventh day before the third Second day in each month.

The Friends appointed to treat with William Smith ye 2d make report, that he gave them no satisfaction; therefore Friends finding themselves clear in laboring with him, do deny the said William Smith from under Friends care.

The Friends appointed to labor with Lemuel Smith report, that both have not had an opportunity with him, but the Friend that had an opportunity reports that he gave him good satisfaction; and he hath sent a paper to this Meeting condemning his offence which is refered under the care of the aforesaid committee.

Whereas Stephen Wilcox having appeared in this Meeting in a very passionate manner, casting heavy reflections on us. saying that he believed, we should have fewer testimonies amongst us, and that it was pitty we should have any, except it be some to reprimand us for our wickedness, and stamping on the floor in a passionate manner to the great grief and sorrow of

1766 the sincere in heart, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Thomas Hicks, Peleg Smith, Joseph Gifford, Barzillai Tucker to labour with him and make report thereof to the next Monthly Meeting. They are likewise to inform him that we desire him to desist from appearing in public.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th day of next month.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment, ye 7th day of the 5th mo 1766.— The representatives being called, John Potter and Peleg Huddlestone present.

Whereas Paul Mosher hath married out of the unity of Friends, and hath been dealt with agreeable to good order, and he declines to condemn his offence, therefore this Meeting finding themselves clear in labouring with him, do deny the said Paul Mosher from under the care of this Meeting.

The case of Francis Allen is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore.

Proposal for enlarging the little Meeting House is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

At A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of the 5th month, 1766 — Ponagansett Meeting called, Jos Smith and Thos Hicks Jr present. For Coakset, Joshua Davil, and Israel Wood present.

Edw Wing Jr of Sandwich and Edith Tucker declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer. And Thos Smith Jr and Rebecca Howland likewise declared their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Luke Hart and William Mosher are appointed to inquire into said Smith's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

John Potter and Jonathan Hussey report, that they attended the marriage of David Briggs and Rebecca Howland and that it was accomplished in good order.

Paul Russell and Wm Mosher report that they attended the marriage of Edmund Maxfield and Rachel Russell, which (they say) was accomplished in good order

Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher likewise report that they attended the marriage of William Hart Jr and Esther Slade, and that it was accomplished in good order.

Whereas Obadiah Allen some time past fell into the sin of fornication and also since hath been in the practice of gaming, for which he hath been dealt with by this Meeting, and declines to condemn his offences to Friends satisfaction; therefore this Meeting being clear in laboring with him, do conclude to deny him from under the care of this Meeting: and do appoint Samuel Smith to draw a paper of denial against the said Obadiah Allen, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting. The Friends appointed to labour with Stephen Wilcox for his misconduct at the last Monthly Meeting report, that he did not condemn his said offence in full; therefore the matter is referred till next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Francis Allen hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his giving way to too much liberty in allowing of fiddling and dancing at the time of his husking, which this Meeting accepts.

This Meeting concludes to drop the proposal for enlarging the little meeting house for the present.

This Meeting doth appoint Jonathan Hussey and David Smith to receive in accounts for doing for the poor of this Meeting, and also endeavor to inform themselves into the validity of said accounts, and also said Friends to join with Philip Tripp to divide the books that belong to this Meeting.

This Meeting doth appoint Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony Jr to collect the birth, place of abode, time of public ministry, and death of Elizabeth Gidley, and bring the account to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £9 – 7^s – 6^d old tenor, and the Treasurer hath paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year.

And Jonathan Hussey and William Sandford are appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting doth appoint William Anthony Jr to receive the subscriptions that are subscribed to defray the charges of this Meeting, and also to pay out the money, as this Meeting shall order.

At a Monthly Meeting met the 16th of the 6th month, 1766 — The representatives are Abraham Tucker and John Potter, present.

Whereas the Yearly Meeting is now in being, therefore this Meeting doth adjourn to the 23rd instant.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment the 23rd of the 6th mo, 1766. — The representatives being called, both present.

Edw Wing hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation which hath been read and accepted.

Edw Wing Jr and Edith Tucker appeared for their answer, which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Abraham Tucker and Joseph Gifford are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Thos Smith Junr and Rebecca Howland appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Luke Hart and Wm Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated

1766 in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

William Ricketson and Elizabeth Smith declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to make inquiry into William Ricketson's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Obadiah Allen for the sin of fornication and gaming, and the clerk of this Meeting is appointed to read it at the close of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting and make report to said Meeting.

Stephen Wilcox hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his reflecting speeches, which was expressed in our Monthly Meeting two months ago, which this Meeting doth accept; and said Wilcox's former references are still continued under the same regulation as heretofore.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Susanna Brightman for the sin of fornication, and the clerk is appointed to read said paper at the close of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting and make report to said Meeting.

Our esteemed Friend John Griffith hath visited this Meeting with a certificate from Chelmsford Monthly Meeting in Essex, dated the 25th of the 2d mo, 1765; and also from the Quarterly Meeting held at Coggeshall in Essex the 12th of the 3rd month, 1765; and also from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London by adjournment from the 25th of the 5th mo to the 3rd of the 6th mo, 1765, which was read to good satisfaction.

Our esteemed Friend, Thomas Ross hath visited this Meeting, and produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting held in Write-town in Bucks County Pennsylvania, bearing date the 6th day of the 5th mo, 1766, which hath been read to good satisfaction.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting and Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith are appointed to draw an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and bring it to the adjournment.

This Meeting adjourns to the first sixth day in next month.

The Meeting being met according to adjournment the 4th day of the 7th month 1766. — The representatives being called, both present.

The Friends appointed to receive accounts, and approbate them, report that they have received them, and allowed to the

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amount of — — — — — — —	16	6	4
Coakset Meeting paying one third part of sd sum	5	8	9
Remains for this Meeting to pay — — Lawful money,	10	17	7.

The committee appointed to collect the birth &c of Elizabeth Tidley have answered their appointment, and the account thereof is ordered to be put on record.

Humphrey Smith, Abraham Tucker, Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting. This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and sent it up by the Representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 7th month, 1766.—— The representatives are Samuel Smith and Barzillai Tucker, present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of William Ricketson, make report, that they have made proper inquiry, and don't find any thing to hinder him from proceeding in marriage. William Ricketson and Elizabeth Smith appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Caleb Russell and Benja Howland Jr are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Abraham Tucker reports that he attended the marriage of Edward Wing Jr and Edith Tucker, which was accomplished in good order.

Luke Hart and William Mosher report that they attended the marriage of Thos Smith Jr and Rebecca Howland, which was accomplished in good order.

Obadiah Allen's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting; and is as follows, viz; ——— Whereas Obadiah Allen, son of our Friends Prince and Deborah Allen, having been under the care of this Meeting, yet he has so far gone astray from our Profession, as to fall into the reproachful sin of fornication, and also been found in the practice of gaming. And Friends having repeated their labor of love with him in order for his recovery, but our labor of love not obtaining the desired effect to the satisfaction of this Meeting; therefore we being desirous that the truth of our holy Profession may be preserved from the reproach of such enormities, do give this forth as a public testimony against him, disowning him, the said Obadiah Allen from being one of our Society, and from being in membership with us. Yet we desire, if it be consistent with Divine pleasure, that he may yet find a place of repentance (and by an unfeigned acknowledgment of the error of his way) return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment on the 23rd day of the 6th month, 1766, by Job Russell, Clerk.

Susanna Brightman's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:— Whereas Susanna Brightman, daughter of

1766 Joshua and Hannah Shearman, having had her education among Friends, and under the care of this Meeting, but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the testimony of Truth, hath fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, as appears by her having a child soon after marriage, and this Meeting having labored with her in love, in order for her recovery, but she proving obstinate and regardless of the tender counsel to her given, therefore for the clearing of the precious Truth that we profess from such enormities, this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a public testimony against her, disowning her the said Susanna Brightman from being a member of our Society, and from under the care of this Meeting; desiring if it be consistent with Divine pleasure, that she may yet be convinced of the error of her ways, and by a sincere repentance, find favor with the Lord.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth by adjournment on the 23rd day of the 6th mo, 1766.

Signed; in by order and in behalf of said Meeting, by

Job Russell, Clerk.
Apphia Mott, Clerk.

This Meeting hath come to a conclusion that Stephen Wilcox ought to desist from appearing in public, until his affairs be better settled in regard to his debts, and the said Stephen Wilcox's case is referred under the same regulation as heretofore to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read to good satisfaction.

Received Epistles. One from London, printed, and one written one; also one Epistle from Philadelphia, and one from Flushing. Also we have received an Epistle from our Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, held the 12th of the 6th mo, 1766; all which have been read in this Meeting to good satisfaction. and as they contain a great deal of wholesome advice and good exhortation, they are earnestly recommended to Friends notice and observation.

The Friends appointed two months ago to adjust accounts with the Treasurer report, that they have settled accounts, and there remain in the Stock — $£2-8^s-1^d$ old tenor.

Coakset Monthly Meeting hath paid their proportion of the Monthly Meeting's debts, which is $£5-8^s-9^d$ lawful money.

Twenty four books belong to this Meeting; and Timothy Russell is appointed to have the care of said books, to lend them out and take them in once a month.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Deborah Slade (wife to Joseph Slade) and her children to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 8th mo, 1766.— The representatives are William Mosher and Benja Smith Jr, present. The Friends appointed to see William Ricketson and Elizabeth Smith's marriage consummated, report, that they attended the marriage, which was consummated in good order. This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Abigail States (wife of Peter States) to the Monthly Meeting of South Kingstown.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred under the care of Thos Hicks 2d, and he to inform said Wilcox, that this Meeting requests, that he inform Friends at the next Monthly Meeting, what progress he hath made in regard to paying his debts.

Luke Hart, Paul Russell, William Anthony Jr, Benja Howland 2d, Samuel Smith and Daniel Cornel are chosen overseers.

Zephaniah Anthony and his wife have given in a paper to this Meeting signifying their sorrow for their falling into the sin of fornication, which is referred unto the next Monthly Meeting, under the care of Peleg Smith and Benja Smith Jr, and they to make report to next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath received one of George Fox's Journals, and 7s - 6d sterling overplus money, which is lodged with the Treasurer.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th day of the 9th month, 1766.—

Wm Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith are the representatives, both present. This Meeting doth appoint Humphrey Smith and Samuel Smith to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and bring it to the adjournment of this Meeting. This Meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day of next month

This Meeting being met according to adjournment, the 3rd of the 10th mo, 1766— The representatives being called, both present.

The case of Stephen Wilcox is referred under the care of Daniel Russell and Thomas Hix 2d.

Peleg Smith and Benja Smith Jr report that they have treated with Zephaniah Anthony in regard to his paper that he gave in last Monthly Meeting; in which they think him to be sincere, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Tucker, Humphrey Smith, Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the Epistle (which was signed in this Meeting) with the answers to the queries, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Coakset Monthly Meeting half a crown sterling, it being one third part of the overplus money for George Fox's Journals.

1766 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 20th of the 10th month, 1766.— The representatives are Samuel Smith and Benja Howland, the 2d, present.

The case of Zephaniah Anthony is refered under the care of his brother, Wm Anthony unto the next Monthly Meeting.

Elihu Bowen requests a removal certificate for himself and family to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey. Therefore Luke Hart and Paul Russell are appointed to make proper enquiry into his circumstances, and draw one for them, if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read in this Meeting to good satisfaction.

Rachel Loude hath been represented under necessitous circumstances, and liable to become one of this Meeting's poor. Therefore Humphry Smith and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to make inquiry into her circumstances and estate, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Jonathan Gifford desires a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation. Therefore Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are appointed to make inquiry into his aforesaid circumstances, and draw a certificate for him, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting doth appoint John Potter, Daniel Russell, Timothy Russell, Samuel Smith, Thos Hicks 2d, Prince Allen, James Tucker, overseers at the Yearly Meeting to endeavour to prevent any indecency that may happen at that time, and make report of their service to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 17th of the 11th month, 1766.— The representatives are Daniel Cornel and Thos Hicks 2d, present.

Timothy Howland and Lucy Allen declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage; and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Daniel Cornel and Thomas Hicks 2d are appointed to make inquiry into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The case of Zephaniah Anthony is refered under the same care as heretofore.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Elihu Bowen and his family to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey.

The case of Rachel Loude is refered under the same regulation as heretofore.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Jonathan Gifford to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, respecting his clearness in regard to marriage and his conversation.

This Meeting allows of Timothy Russell's account for clearing the burying yard and repairing the fence and bars, which is £4 13^s, old tenor.

David Smith hath paid to the Monthly Meeting 2^s – 6^d sterling agreeable to appointment.

John Sisson requests a removal certificate for himself and children to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong; therefore Paul Russell and [illegible] Hart are appointed to draw one for him, if they shall think proper, after due inquiry into his circumstances, and make return to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed overseers at the Yearly Meeting, report that they attended agreeable to appointment, and discovered nothing but what was in a degree orderly; and they think that Friends care in that respect answers a good purpose.

This Meeting grants the Friends living in Allen's Neck the liberty to hold a meeting down there at ye Friends house for four months to come on First days, excepting the First day preceding the Monthly Meeting in each month; and Daniel Cornel and Prince Allen are appointed to have the oversight of the meeting and to make report to this Meeting at the expiration of the four months

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15 of the 12th mo 1766.– The representatives are Paul Russell and David Smith, present.

Timothy Howland and Lucy Allen appeared for their answer, which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Daniel Cornel, and Thos Hicks 2d are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £ 11 – 7^s – 3^d old tenor, and the Treasurer has paid Timothy Russell the above said sum.

Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey report, that they have inspected into the circumstances of Rachel Soule, and they find due to her by bond and note, £12 – 16^s – 9^d, lawful money. The Friends appointed to draw a certificate for John Sisson and his children, have drawn one for them, but things not appearing quite clear, the signing of it is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

John Williams and his wife have produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, which this Meeting accepts.

Stephen Smith hath produced and given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his marrying out of the unity of the Friends, which this Meeting accepts.

Caleb Russell, Joseph Smith, William Barker, are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers of the poor hath brought an account of doing for the poor to the amount of £3—6^s—6^d, old tenor, which this Meeting allows.

The case of Zephaniah Anthony is referred.

The overseers inform that James Allen hath fallen into the sin of fornication, for which they have labored with him, and he declines to make satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell and Job Russell to labour with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The queries have been read in this Meeting, and answered. This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and sent it up with the answers to the queries by the representatives.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the First mo. 1767. — The representatives are Samuel Smith and William Anthony Jr. present.

Daniel Cornel and Thos Hicks 2d report that they attended the marriage of Timothy Howland and Lucy Allen, which was consummated in good order.

The signing of John Kirson's certificate is referred to next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to labour with James Allen report that he declines to condemn his offence to Friends satisfaction: therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Gifford and Job Russell to draw a paper of denial against said Allen and also inform him of the conclusion of this Meeting, and labor with him, as they shall find freedom, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that neither of them attended by reason of the severity of the weather; but we received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting, which hath been read and well accepted.

Shadrach Dennis requests to be taken under Friends care. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Abraham Tucker, and Peleg Smith to inquire into the young man's life and conversation, and also take an opportunity of solid conference with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The women Friends inform, that they have minuted Elizabeth Russell, wife of Isaac Russell under Friends care, which this Meeting concurs with.

Zephaniah Anthony and his wife have given in a paper to this Meeting signifying their sorrow for their falling into the sin of fornication, which hath lain on file for some months; and now Friends being fully satisfied, do accept of said paper, provided they cause it to be read at the close of a First-day meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, they being present, and also return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath given forth a testimony concerning our well esteemed Friend, Elizabeth Gidley, deceased, which was signed in this Meeting by a number of Friends.

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 2d month, 1767.— The representatives are Paul Russell and Wm Anthony Jr. present.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against James Allen, son of Francis Allen for fornication, and the clerk is ordered to read said paper at the close of a First-day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the conversation of Shadrach Dennis, and to confer with him on his request to come under Friends' care, not being able to make a satisfactory report, therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for John Sisson to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong.

Zephaniah Anthony's and his wife's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth, viz; — — — To the Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth — Esteemed Friends —
These are to inform that we were educated, and married amongst Friends. But we acknowledge that we have fallen into the sin of fornication, as appears evident by the birth of our child; the which sin we do condemn and are sorrowful for. But we hope the Almighty will forgive us, and we desire Friends would so far pass it by as to suffer us still to remain under your care.

Given under our hands the 18th of the 8th month, 1766.

Zephaniah Anthony.
Waite Anthony.

Whereas Lemuel Smith hath given in a paper to this Meeting some months ago, and not accepted by reason of his absence, therefore this Meeting being satisfied, do accept of said paper, provided that he cause it to be read at the close of a First day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, he being present, and return said paper to the clerk.

This Meeting doth appoint Peleg Smith, Humphrey Smith, Samuel Smith, William Anthony Jr., and Job Russell to peruse the Monthly Meeting's minutes to see what part they shall think proper to be put on record and make report to

1767. the next Monthly Meeting.

Edith Wing hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning her falling into the sin of fornication, which this Meeting doth accept with the proviso that she cause said paper to be read at the close of a First day meeting for worship, she being present, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting, and return the paper to the clerk.

William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer and report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting doth appoint John Potter, Prince Allen, and Joseph Gifford overseers of the poor for one year.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Abigail Hathaway to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16 of the 3rd mo. 1767.— The representatives are Daniel Cornel and Samuel Smith — present.

Thomas Aiken and Rebecca Russell declared their intentions of marriage; and were desired to wait, until the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Thos Hicks Jr and Samuel Smith, are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

James Allen's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth— — — — Whereas James Allen, son of Francis Allen and Rebecca his wife deceased, having been under the care of this Meeting, yet he has so far gone astray from our Profession, as to fall into the reproachful sin of fornication, and Friends having repeated their labor of love with him in order for his recovery, but our labour of love not obtaining the desired effect to the satisfaction of this Meeting, therefore we being desirous that the truth of our Holy Profession may be preserved from the reproach of such enormities, do give this forth a public testimony against him, disowning him, the said James, from being one of our Society, and from being under our care, yet sincerely desiring, if it be consistent with Divine pleasure that, he may yet find a place of repentance and by an unfeigned acknowledgment of the error of his way, return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16th day of the 2d month, 1767, by Job Russell, Clerk, — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

The Friends appointed to inquire into the life and conversation of Shadrach Dennis, and also to take an opportunity of conference on his request to come under Friends care, not being able to make a satisfactory report, therefore the case is referred under their care until the next Monthly Meeting, and then to make report.

Samuel Smith's paper hath been read

according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on y^e 21st of y^e 4th mo 1766.— Loving Friends:— Whereas through the insinuation of the Evil One, I have fallen into the sin of fornication, for which evil action I can truly say I am sincerely sorry for, and pray that God may forgive me and all my other sins, and that you would pass it by, so as to let me remain under your care; for I have a great value for Friends. So no more at present, but I remain your well wishing Friend, ... Lemuel Smith.

The committee, appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting's minutes, report that they have perused said minutes and left them with Samuel Smith to record.

Edith Wing's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:— — — — — — To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be holden at Dartmouth the 16th day of the 2 m^o 1767.— — — Well esteemed Friends:— These may inform, although I have had my education among Friends, yet through unwatchfulness, I have fallen into the sin of fornication, which is known by my having a child so soon after marriage; which sin I condemn, and am very sorry for, and pray God to forgive me, and Friends pass it by so far as to let me remain under their care.

Edith Wing.

The Friends, appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer, report that there is remaining in the Treasury 7^s — 7^d old tenor.

Anna Gifford informs this Meeting, that she hath a concern on her mind to visit Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, which this Meeting concurs with.

Antipas Hathaway hath sent an account for mending our Meeting House windows to the amount of £0 — 1^s — 6^{d}½ lawful money, which this Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay, and also to pay the overseers of the poor £3 — 6^s — 6^d, old tenor. This Meeting hath collected £7 - 18^s 3^d old tenor

The overseers inform this Meeting that Thomas Wilcox hath married out of the unity of Friends, for which they have labored with him and he declines to make Friends satisfaction; therefore Job Case and Daniel Russell, are appointed to labour further with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers inform that Holder Slocum hath been in the practice of gaming, for which they have labored with him, and he declines to make Friends satisfaction; therefore Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to labor with said Slocum, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting, and this Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, which is sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives, with the answers to the queries

Humphrey Smith.

Samuel Smith, and William Mosher, are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

1767. At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 20th of the 4th mo, 1767. —— The representatives are Thos Hicks 2d. and Samuel Smith,—present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Thomas Akin's clearness, report that upon inquiry, they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Thomas Akin and Rebecca Russell appeared for their answer; which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Humphry Smith and Thomas Hicks are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Timothy Russell and Hannah Briggs declared their intention of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to inspect into Timothy's clearness respecting marriage and conversation; and also they are appointed to see, that the widow's estate be settled, so that her children be not wronged by her marriage and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the conversation of Shadrac Dennis, make a satisfactory report; therefore this Meeting minutes him under Friends' care.

The Treasurer reports that he has paid the overseers of the poor according to the appointment, of last Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to treat with Thomas Wilcox not making a satisfactory report, they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to treat with Holder Slocum report, that they have not discharged themselves in that respect; therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except William Mosher, and he sent an excuse, which was accepted; and they have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and well accepted.

The Friends appointed overseers at the Meeting held in Allen's Neck, report that they have attended according to appointment, and saw nothing but that it was carried on in good order.

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 18th of the 5th month, 1767. — The representatives are Caleb Russell and Daniel Russell — both present.

Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey make report, that they have made inquiry into Timothy Russell's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage; and they also report that, the widow's estate is settled agreeable to good order.

Timothy Russell and Hannah Briggs appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Friends appointed to see Thomas Akin's and Rebecca Russell's marriage consummated, make report that they attended the said marriage, which was accomplished in good order.

The Friends appointed to treat with Thomas Wilcox, report that they have not had a convenient opportunity to discharge themselves; therefore they are still continued in the same service until opportunity affords, and then to make report.

The women Friends inform that they have denied Phebe Sisson daughter of Joseph Barker for marrying out of the unity of Friends which this Meeting concurs with.

Phebe Allen hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning her falling into the sin of fornication; which this Meeting accepts provided she cause said paper to be read publickly, at the close of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, she being present and make return of said paper to said meeting.

The Friends appointed to treat with Holder Slocum report that he declines to condemn his offence to satisfaction; therefore his case is referred under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Taber requests a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation. Therefore Joseph Gifford and Joseph Russell are appointed to make proper inquiry and to draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Rose Russell hath removed out of the verge of Coakset Monthly Meeting, where this Meeting apprehends she belongs, and makes application for assistance; therefore Joseph Tucker and Humphrey Smith are appointed to inform Coakset Meeting, that this Meeting desires them to take care of her, and said committee to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting met the 15th of the 6th mo 1767. — The representatives are Daniel Russell and John Williams, present. The Yearly Meeting being now in being, for which reason this Meeting adjourns to the 22d instant.

At a Monthly Meeting met and held by adjournment, the 22d of the 6th month, 1767. The representatives being called, and both present.

Humphrey Smith and Jonathan Hussey report, that

1767. they attended the marriage of Timothy Russell and Hannah Briggs, which was consummated in good order.

Phebe Allen's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:— —— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth, the 20th day of the 4th mo 1767.— Dear Friends:— I through unwatchfulness have fallen into the sin of fornication; which appears by me having a child so soon after marriage, for which I am heartily sorry, and do condemn, hoping that God will forgive me, and friends pass it by so far as to let me remain under their care. —Phebe Allen—

The case of Holden Slocum is referred under the same care as heretofore.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Benja Taber to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation

The friends appointed to treat with Coaksett Monthly Meeting on behalf of Rose Russell, report that they have not had an opportunity conveniently to discharge themselves. Therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The treasurer has paid Antipas Hathaway 11s – 8d old tenor.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting.

Peleg Smith, Humphrey Smith, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith Caleb Russell are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to present the answers to the queries, with the Epistle to the same, which hath been signed in this Meeting.

This Meeting collected £8 – 7s – 3d, old tenor,

The Treasurer has paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 7th month, 1767.— Called – Joseph Smith and Jonathan Hussey, present,

William Anthony Jr chosen clerk for this day.

The case of Holden Slocum is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore, and he is desired to attend meetings more diligently for the future.

The Friends appointed to treat with Coaksett Monthly Meeting report that they have not discharged their trust by reason of one of said friends being unwell: therefore 'tis referred still under their care.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended but Humphrey Smith, and he sent an excuse, which was accepted.

This Meeting received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of London, which was read in this Meeting, and the good and wholesome advice therein recommended to Friends' observation.

Also received an Epistle of the Yearly Meeting of Rhode-Island; also one from the Quarterly Meeting, which was read in this Meeting and kindly accepted.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 8th mo 1767.— The representatives are Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith — both present.
The women Friends inform that they have minuted Rachel Wilbor under their care, which this Meeting concurs with.
Holder Slocum hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his being under the practice of gaming, which this Meeting accepts, provided he cause said paper to be read publicly at the close of a First day meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, he being present, and return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.
The committee appointed to treat with Coaksett Monthly Meeting on the account of Rose Russell, report that they have discharged their trust in that case, and Coakset Meeting hath promised to give this Meeting an answer, as soon as they can conveniently.
The women Friends inform that they have accepted of Eunice Kirbi's acknowledgment for marrying out of the unity of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 21st of ye 9th month, 1767.— The representatives are William Sanford and Daniel Cornel, present.
David Anthony and Judith Hicks declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Geo Smith and Benja Howland 2d are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
Holder Slocum's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and here follows:— —
— To the Monthly Meeting of Friends next to be held in Dartmouth on the 20th of the 8th mo, 1767.— — Esteemed Friends:— Whereas I through unwatchfulness and by keeping unnecessary company, have fallen into the bad practice of gaming, which I am heartily sorry for and do condemn, hoping God will forgive me, and I desire Friends would pass it by, so far as to let me remain under their care, hoping I shall walk more agreeable for the time to come.
Holder Slocum
Whereas this Meeting hath received an answer from Coakset Monthly Meeting respecting Rose Russell, which this Meeting apprehends is too short, and not to satisfaction, therefore Joseph Gifford, William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith

1767 are appointed to make sufficient inquiry to know, whether said Rose Russell properly belongs to Coakset Meeting or not. And if upon inquiry they think her to belong to Coakset, to inform them that this Meeting desires them to appoint a committee to confer with them in the case, and make a final settlement between the two Meetings. And if they cannot agree to a settlement, then for the two committees to choose Friends to settle the case, belonging to some other Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting doth appoint Daniel Cornel, Luke Hart, Paul Russell, Benja Howland 2d, William Anthony Jr, Samuel Smith, overseers for the year ensuing.

This Meeting hath come to a conclusion to repair our Meeting House. Therefore Geo Smith, Daniel Russell, and Timothy Russell are appointed to consider what they shall think necessary to be done, and also to employ some body to do said business, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting, and we have signed an Epistle and sent it up to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives, who are as follows:— Peleg Smith, Abraham Tucker, Nicholas Howland, Benja Howland 2d, who are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the Epistle with the answers to the queries, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 10th mo. 1767.— The representatives are David Smith and Jonathan Hussey, present.

The Friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of David Anthony report, that they have made inquiry, and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

David Anthony and Judith Hicks appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and George Smith, and Benja Howland 2d are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Shadrac Dennis and Abial Hussey declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait 'till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and William Sanford and David Smith are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to repair our Meeting House report that they are on their way to accomplish said business; therefore they are desired to do it as soon as may be and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meet ing, report that, they all attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read and kindly accepted.

Benja Chase requests a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation; therefore Paul Russell and Luke Hart are appointed to make proper inquiry, and draw a certificate for him if they think proper, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Whereas Joseph Rotch hath resided among us for a considerable time, and agreeable to good order hath produced a few lines by way of certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, signifying his being a Friend in unity among them, which this Meeting accepts.

Daniel Russell, Timothy Russell, Jonathan Hussey Thos Hicks Jr, David Smith are appointed to have the oversight of the galleries and other seats to endeavour to prevent any indecency that may happen at our Yearly Meeting, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Henry Russell hath married out of the unity of Friends, and hath been labored with by the overseers, and he declines to condemn his offence to satisfaction; therefore Jonathan Hussey and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to treat farther with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 11th mo, 1767.— The representatives are William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey, both present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Shadrac Dennis' clearness report that they have made inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Shadrac Dennis and Abial Hussey appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and William Sanford and David Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to see David Anthony and Judith Hicks's marriage consummated in good order, report that they attended the marriage, which was accomplished in good order.

The Friends appointed to repair our Meeting House, report, that they have repaired said house agreeable to appointment, and have brought in their bill, which is two pounds lawful money. This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Benja Chase to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey, certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation.

1767 Our Friends William Hunt and Thomas Thornbrough have visited this Meeting with their certificates from the Monthly Meeting held at New-garden in Rowan County, North Carolina, dated the 25th of 4th mo 1767, which have been read to good satisfaction, and their visit kindly accepted.

The Friends appointed to treat with Henry Russell for marrying out of the unity of Friends, report that they labored with him, and he neglects to make Friends satisfaction for his offence. Therefore this Meeting, being tender of him, do refer the matter under the care of Peleg Smith, and he to treat with him as he shall find freedom; and report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to have the oversight of the people that they behave orderly at our Yearly Meeting, report, that they all attended according to appointment, and saw nothing but what was tolerable orderly.

The Friends living in Allen's Neck request liberty to hold a meeting there four months from now on First days, excepting the day preceding the Monthly Meeting in each month, which this Meeting grants; and do appoint Daniel Cornel and Philip Allen and Prince Allen to have the oversight of the same and they to make report to the Monthly Meeting at the expiration of said four months

This Meeting adjourns to the 23rd instant at the 11th hour in ye forenoon.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment this 23rd of 11th mo, 1767 —— —— The representatives being called, Jonathan Hussey, present.

Whereas William Hunt and Thos Thornbrough from New-garden in North Carolina, and Aaron Veal from the Nine partners, have visited several meetings in these parts, and being about to return home; this Meeting finds freedom to give each of them a certificate. Therefore Abraham Tucker, Jonathan Hussey, and David Smith are appointed to draw them and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 25th instant after the meeting of worship

This Meeting being met by adjournment the 25th of the 11 month, 1767. — — — —. The representatives being called, Jonathan Hussey, present.

The overseers inform this Meeting that Humphrey Smith (son of Humphrey), and Holder Slocum, have been concerned in horse racing, and that said Slocum has lately been in the practice of gaming; for which the overseers have laboured with them, but they decline to make Friends satisfaction; therefore Jonathan Hussey, Thomas Hicks 2d, Barzillai Tucker, and David Smith are appointed to treat with them, and also to advise them to be more frequent in attending meetings. This Meeting hath signed three certificates — one for William Hunt — one for Thomas Thornbrough — and one for Aaron Veal.

The overseers inform that Daniel Russell hath suffered too much liberty in his tavern, which tends to bring a reproach on Truth; therefore Joseph Tucker and Abraham Tucker are appointed to labour with him, and make report next Monthly Meeting. —

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ye 21st of the 12th mo, 1767. — The representatives are William Anthony Jr, and Samuel Smith, both present.
William Sanford and David Smith report that they attended the marriage of Shadrac Dennis and Abial Hussey, according to appointment, which was consummated in good order.
Peleg Smith reports, that he spoke with Henry Russell concerning his disorderly marriage, and he desires Friends to wait a while longer with him; therefore his case is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, under the care of Thos Hicks, 2d.
The Friends appointed to deal with Humphrey Smith (son of Humphrey), and Holder Slocum, report, that they have laboured with them, and that Humphrey Smith desires Friends to wait a while longer with him; therefore his case is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. They also report that Holder Slocum declines to make Friends satisfaction, and doth not desire Friends to wait any longer on him; therefore this Meeting doth conclude to deny him, and do appoint Daniel Cornel, Samuel Smith, and William Anthony Jr, to draw a paper of denial against him, and to inform him of the conclusion of this Meeting, and bring said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to labour with Daniel Russell for allowing too much liberty in his tavern, report, that they have discharged themselves in that respect, and it is the sense and judgment of this Meeting, that he throw up selling spirituous liquors. This Meeting hath collected £ 8 — 10s — 8d old tenor.

This Meeting adjourns to the 28th day of this instant at the 11th hour in the forenoon.

This Meeting being met by adjournment, this 28th day of ye 12th mo, 1767. — The representatives being called, William Anthony Jr, and Samuel Smith present.
This Meeting adjourns to tomorrow after the meeting of worship.

This Meeting being met by adjournment the 29th of the 12th month 1767. — The representatives being called, William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith, present.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting, and the answers ordered to be sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives with the Epistle which hath been read and signed in this Meeting. Caleb Russell Benja Howland the 2d and Nicholas Howland, are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting hath

1767. collected £9-17s-6d old tenor.

This Meeting adjourns to the first Fourth day in next month after the meeting of worship.

This Meeting being met by adjournment the 6th of the First Month, 1768.— — The representatives being called both present.

The overseers of the poor hath brought an account to this Meeting for doing for Stephen Wilcox, which is £3-10s-0d, old tenor, which this Meeting allows, and do order the Treasurer to pay the same to David Briggs, which he saith he hath paid accordingly.

John Williams and his wife requests a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich; therefore Joseph Tucker and Paul Russell are appointed to make proper inquiry and join with the women's committee appointed for the same purpose and draw a certificate for them, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Geo Smith Jun hath given in a paper to this Meeting signifying his falling into the sin of fornication, and condemning the evil thereof, which this Meeting accepts, provided he cause said paper to be read at the close of a First day meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, he being present, and make return of said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the First month, 1768.— — The Representatives are Thomas Hicks 2d and Barzillai Tucker, present.

Thomas Hicks 2d reports that, he hath spoke with Henry Russell and that, he desired longer time to endeavor to make Friends satisfaction. Therefore his case is referred under the same care as heretofore.

The case concerning Humphrey Smith, son of Humphrey, is referred under the care of Samuel Smith, and he to make report as soon as opportunity will afford.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Holder Slocum, and William Anthony Jr is appointed to read said paper at the end of a First day meeting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and return said paper to said Meeting.

John Craw hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his marrying out of the unity of Friends, which this Meeting accepts.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that, they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read and kindly accepted.

The Friends appointed to draft a certificate for John Williams and his wife, report that, all things are not quite clear; therefore the same Friends are continued for the same service and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

George Smith Jun, his paper hath been read according to order of last Monthly Meeting, and returned to this Meeting, which is as follows:— — To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth:— — Whereas I, George Smith Jun, having been educated among Friends, but through unwatchfulness so far gave way to the Enemy, as to fall into the sin of fornication, which appears by my wife having a child so soon after marriage, now these are to testify to all whom it may concern, that I am heartily sorry for the abovesaid evil, and do condemn the same, with all other my outgoings, hoping God will forgive me my offences and receive me into favor. And I desire Friends so far to pass them by, as to let me remain under their care.

Given forth this 10th day of ye 11th month 1767, by your friend, George Smith Junr.

The Friends appointed some time past to have the care of Stephen Wilcox's affairs, respecting his discharging his debts, make report, that he has not discharged them all yet, and this Meeting thinks proper to discharge Daniel Russell, he being one of the committee, and to appoint Joseph Gifford and Paul Russell to join the aforesaid committee, to have the whole oversight of Stephen Wilcox's aforementioned circumstances.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 2d month, 1768.— The representatives are William Anthony, Jr and Samuel Smith — both present,—

Daniel Ricketson and Rebecca Russell declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Daniel Cornel and Thomas Hicks 2d are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Henry Russell hath married out of the unity of Friends and Friends having discharged themselves in labouring with him, and he disregarding their labour, therefore for the clearing of Truth this Meeting do deny the said Henry Russell from being under the care of this Meeting.

William Anthony Jr reports that he hath read Holder Slocum's paper of denial according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and has returned the same to this Meeting, which is as follows:— — — Whereas Holder Slocum the son of Holder Slocum, deceased, and Rebecca, his wife, having been under the care of this Meeting yet through unwatchfulness, and disregarding the testimony of Truth has so far deviated from our religious profession as to be found in the practice of gaming, and in supporting of horse racing, and also

1768. in the neglect of that indispensable duty of attending religious meetings of Divine worship, and Friends having repeatedly laboured with him in love, in order to show unto him his errors, and reclaim him from his outgoings, but he continuing obstinate, and not adhering to our tender advice and counsel, therefore for the preservation of the precious truth and Friends from the reproach thereof this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a testimony against him, hereby publicly disowning him the said Holder Slocum from being one of our religious community, and from under the care of this Meeting, yet sincerely desiring (if it be consistent with Divine pleasure) that he may yet return from the evil of his ways, and by sincere repentance return to the way of Truth and salvation. Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of the First mo AD, 1768, by

Job Russell, Clerk.

The Friends, appointed to draft a certificate for John Williams and his wife, report that his affairs are not all settled to satisfaction; therefore the case is referred under the care of the said committee, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath made trial for a choice of visitors, and finding the work of great importance, but no Friend finding the weight of that service laid on them at present, therefore the choosing them is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Humphrey Smith, Benja Howland, the 2d, Samuel Smith, Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to review the Monthly Meeting's minutes, to see what part they shall think proper to go on record, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. John Potter, Joseph Gifford and Prince Allen are appointed overseers of the poor for the year ensuing. Joseph Tucker and Humphrey Smith are added to the former committee appointed to confer with Coakset Meeting respecting Rose Russell.

Thomas Willcox hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in marrying out of the order of Friends, which is referred to next Monthly Meeting under the care of Job Case and Jonathan Hussey, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting being informed that Daniel Russell hath proceeded contrary to the advice and judgment of this Meeting, in selling of spirituous liquor, and this Meeting reconsidering a former minute respecting said Russell, and do think it is rather too extensive in that part which debars him from selling spirituous liquors by the large quantity, therefore do reverse that part of said minute. Nevertheless this Meeting continuing of the same judgment in respect to his selling liquors by the small quantity, and do appoint Prince Allen and Thomas Hicks, 2d, to labour with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 21st of the 3rd month, 1768.— The representatives are Thos Hicks and Barzillai Tucker — both present:-

The Friends appointed to inquire into Daniel Ricketson's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, report that they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in marriage.

Daniel Ricketson and Rebecca Russell appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and Joseph Gifford and Job Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Wing of Sandwich and Peace Gifford declared their intention of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer. The said Wing having produced a certificate certifying his clearness respecting marriage and conversation which is accepted; also hath produced his parents consent

Choosing of visitors was referred to this Meeting; and no Friends finding the weight of that service laid upon them at present, therefore this Meeting thinks fit to omit any further trial in that matter.

The Friends appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting's minutes report that they have discharged their trust in that respect.

The committee appointed to confer with Coakset Monthly Meeting respecting Rose Russell report, that they have had several conferences on that account, but could not come to an accomodation without submitting the case to Friends of another Monthly Meeting, and have made choice of Edward Upton, Philip Chase, and William Buffinton, whose judgment is as followeth:— — — — Coakset, the 16th of the 3rd Mo, 1768.—

To the Two Committees of the Monthly Meetings of Dartmouth:— We, the subscribers by your appointment, have heard your allegations, and considered them weightily, and upon the whole, our judgment is, that Ponaganset Meeting be at ye two thirds of the charge that may accrue by Rose Russell for the future, and Coakset, the one third part for the future.

Edward Upton,
Philip Chase,
William Buffinton.

The Friends appointed to treat with Thomas Wilcox report that he desires one month longer to endeavour to make Friends satisfaction. Therefore the case is referred under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to oversee the meeting in Allen's Neck, report that they have attended the Meeting according to appointment, which was orderly, and to satisfaction.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting, and an Epistle signed and sent to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives, who are Caleb Russell, Nicholas Howland and

1768. William Barker, who are to present the same, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to labour with Daniel Russell, report that they have labored with him, and he declines to retract his proceedings in selling of spirituous liquors. And this Meeting having been informed from time to time of the undue liberty that Daniel Russell suffers in his tavern, which tends to bring a reproach on Truth and Friends, his house not being in a fit place to keep a tavern in because of the great resort of town's people, therefore do appoint John Potter, Prince Allen, and Thomas Hicks 2d to labor with him for the above said disorders, and to desist from keeping tavern, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £ ? – 9^s – 9^d. old tenor.

John Williams and wife's certificates are? not drafted by the same reason as heretofore, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 4th month 1768. The representatives are David Smith and Jonathan Hussey both present.

$Benj^a$ Wing and Peace Gifford appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Joseph Tucker and Joseph Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

David Allen and Hannah Ricketson declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait until next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to inspect into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Gifford and Job Russell report that they attended the marriage of Daniel Ricketson and Rebecca Russell, which was consummated in good order.

Thomas Wilcox hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his falling into the sin of fornication, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, under the same care as heretofore. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that two of them attended according to appointment, and the other sent a reasonable excuse, which was accepted; and they have produced an Epistle from said Meeting which hath been read and kindly accepted. The Friends appointed to labor with Daniel Russell report that he declines to make Friends satisfaction. Therefore Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, and Daniel Cornell are appointed to let him know the mind of this Meeting; that is, if he do not make Friends satisfaction, he may expect to be denied; and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The treasurer hath paid Timothy Russell the whole of his demands on this Meeting, and also Daniel Russell's demands, which is £2 — 2s lawful money.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for John Williams and his wife to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 5th month, 1768. — The representatives are Thomas Hicks and Barzillai Tucker — both present —

Caleb Russell and Job Russell report that they have made sufficient inquiry into David Allen's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage David Allen and Hannah Ricketson appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Tucker and Joseph Mosher report that they attended the marriage of Benja Wing and Peace Gifford, which was consummated in good order

The case of Thomas Wilcox is referred under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to inform Daniel Russell of the sense of this Meeting, report that they have discharged their trust in that respect, and that he declines to desist from keeping of tavern, until his year is up, that he has taken out license to sell liquors; and also Daniel Russell hath given in a paper to this Meeting, which is nowise to satisfaction. Therefore his case is referred at the request of his brother John Russell, and he to inform him how his paper was received, and also to labor with him, as he should find freedom, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Francis Rotch, son of Jos Rotch hath removed into the verge of this Meeting, and hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, which hath been read and accepted.

Whereas the committee appointed to give a list of those Friends living at the eastward side of Quishnet river, report that they have given in Rachel Sowle to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, which they decline to accept. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Humphrey Smith, Job Russell, William Mosher and Prince Allen to join with said committee to confer with Sandwich Monthly Meeting on that account, and also to make a final settlements about the said Rachel Sowle in behalf of this Meeting, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

1768. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 6th month, 1768. — The representatives are Caleb Russell and David Smith — both present.

Barnabas Kirby and Elizabeth Allen declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till ye next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Philip Allen & Nicholas Howland are appointed to inspect into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Caleb Russell and Job Russell report that they attended the marriage of David Allen and Hannah Ricketson and that it was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to have the care of Thomas Wilcox, respecting receiving his paper that he gave into this Meeting some months past, report that he declines to attend meetings for religious worship, therefore this Meeting cannot find freedom to accept his paper, and do appoint Abraham Tucker to join the former committee, to labor further with him for his several disorders, and draw a paper of denial against him, if he gives them no satisfaction, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Daniel Russell hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his former disorder in indulging too much liberty in his tavern, which this Meeting accepts, and it is the desire of this Meeting, that he would desist from keeping a tavern after the year is expired, that he has engaged for; and it is recommended that the overseers have a particular inspection over him in his conduct respecting his tavern.

The committee appointed to treat with Sandwich Monthly Meeting respecting Rachel Sowle, report that they have had a conference with said Meeting, and that they have appointed a committee to confer with them therefore they are continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Our esteemed Friends, Thomas Carleton, Aaron Lancaster, and Joshua Shearman, hath visited this Meeting, with their respective certificates — the first from Chester County, in the Province of Pennsylvania bearing date the 12th of the 5th mo, 1768 — the second, (viz Aaron Lancaster) from the Purchase in the County of Westchester in the Province of New York; whose certificate bears date the 5th mo, 1768 — the third from the Nine Partners in Dutchess County in said Province of New York bearing date the 19th of the 5th mo, 1768 — all of which were read in this Meeting, and then visits well accepted.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to our next youths' meeting after the meeting of worship.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment the first of the 7th month, 1768 — the representatives being called, both present.

Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Anthony and Humphrey Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and pre

sent the Epistle, with the answers to the queries, which have been read and signed in this Meeting: and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey are appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Joseph Tucker one dollar that this Meeting borrowed some time past, which he has done accordingly.
Whereas Humphrey Smith, son of Humphrey Smith hath been under dealing some time past under the care of Samuel Smith, who now informs this Meeting, that the said Humphrey neglects to make Friends satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker to labor further with him, as they may find freedom, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
This Meeting hath collected £6—6s—9d, old tenor.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 7 month 1768.— — The representatives are Samuel Smith, and Thos Hicks, 2d, — both present.
The Friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of Barnabas Kirby, report that they have made sufficient inquiry, and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.
Barnabas Kirby and Elizabeth Allen appeared for their answer, which was that, they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Nicholas Howland and Philip Allen are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
William Tripp and Elizabeth Maxfield declared their intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer.
The committee appointed to labor with Thomas Wilcox report, they have not had a convenient opportunity to treat with him; therefore they are continued in the same service and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
The committee appointed to treat with Sandwich Monthly Meeting report that, they have met with Sandwich's Meeting's committee, and could not settle the affair, and have referred the matter till next Fall; therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report, when they have settled the affair.
The committee appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer report they have not done it; therefore they are still continued in said service and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Weston Briggs and his wife have returned into these parts again, and have produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich

1768. which hath been read and accepted.

James Davis hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, which hath been read and accepted.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended according to appointment, and have brought an Epistle from the same, but it is not come to hand; therefore they are desired to take care and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Humphrey Smith, the 3rd, hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his running horses, and keeping loose company, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and he is desired to attend at that time.

David Anthony and his wife have given in a paper to this Meeting condemning their falling into the sin of fornication, which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and Joseph Gifford and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to take an opportunity of discourse with him, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. Thomas Almy requests to come under Friends care, and Daniel Cornel and Prince Allen are appointed to inquire into the young man's conversation & take an opportunity of solid conference, and endeavor to understand if his motive be from the bottom of true conviction, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

William Brown informs this Meeting, that he is about to remove to Nantucket, and desires a removal certificate therefore. Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to draw one for him, if they think proper, after they have made sufficient inquiry into his life and conversation, and bring it to next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £9 – 13^s – 7^d old tenor.

The Treasurer has paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the Meeting house half a year.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th, 8th mo: 1768.— The representatives are David Smith, and Samuel Smith – present.

William Tripp hath produced a certificate from Coakset Monthly Meeting certifying his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation, which hath been read and accepted.

William Tripp and Elizabeth Maxfield appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Luke Hart and William Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to see Barnabas Kirby's and Elizabeth Allen's marriage consummated, report that they attended the marriage according to appointment, which was consummated in good order.

The committee appointed to confer with Thomas Wilcox report that they have had a conference with him, and they desire to have the matter deferred one month longer; which is accordingly under their care, who are to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer, report, that they settled accounts with him, and there remain £ 2-2s-8d old tenor, in the treasury.

The Epistle from the last Quarterly Meeting now came to hand, and hath been read, and kindly accepted.

Likewise the London Printed Epistle, and one from Philadelphia; and as they contain a great deal of counsel and good advice, the contents are earnestly recommended to Friends' notice and observation.

The Friends appointed to confer with David Anthony, make report that he gave them satisfaction, but, we not having any account from the women, the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to confer with Thomas Almy make a satisfactory report, and the matter is still continued under their care, who are to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for William Brown to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket.

This Meeting doth refer the case of Humphrey Smith, the 3rd, under the care of Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting excuses Paul Russell from having the care of Stephen Wilcox's affairs; and also excuses Paul Russell and Daniel Cornel from being overseers.

Prince Allen, Benja Howland, 2d, Samuel Smith and Barzillai Tucker, are added to the former committee to have the care of Stephen Wilcox's affair in regard to his paying his debts, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19 of the 9th mo, 1768. — The representatives are Benjamin Howland, 2d, and Thomas Hicks, 2d. — both present. —

Caleb Macumber and Rachel Wilbour declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait 'till next Monthly Meeting for their answer.

Luke Hart and William Mosher report that they attended the marriage of William Tripp and Elizabeth Maxfield, which was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to treat with Thomas Wilcox, report that they think best to accept of his paper; therefore this Meeting accepts it accordingly, with the provisal that he cause said paper

1768 to be read at the close of a First day meeting of worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, he being present, and return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting likewise accepts of David Anthony, and his wife's paper, provided they cause it to be read at the close of a First day meeting for worship, they being present, and return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to confer with Thomas Almy on his request to come under Friends' care, make a satisfactory report. Therefore this Meeting doth accept him a member under Friends care.

The Friends appointed to have the care of Humphrey Smith, y^e 3rd, report, that they think, it not best, to receive his paper, and that he desires Friends to defer the matter one month longer. Therefore his case is referred under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to have the care of Stephen Wilcox's affair in regard to his discharging his debts, report, that they are not ready for an answer. Therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under their care, who are then to make report.

Paul Russell informs this Meeting, that he hath it on his mind to visit some meetings in the circuit of the Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, which this Meeting approves of.

This Meeting hath recommended Paul Russell and Daniel Cornel, as ministers in unity, to the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders at Rhode Island.

Luke Hart, Benja Howland, 2d, William Anthony jr, and Samuel Smith are appointed overseers for the year ensuing.

Joseph Rotch hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, which hath been read, and accepted.

The queries have been read in this Meeting, and answered, and the answers sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives, who are Paul Russell, Caleb Russell, Nicholas Howland and Jonathan Hussey.

This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and sent it up by the representatives.

Nicholas Howland hath brought an account to this Meeting for covering Fox's Journal and mending the Bellows, to the amount of four shillings, lawful money, which this Meeting approves, and the Treasurer has paid it by order of the Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £6 – 0^s – 2^d, old tenor.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 10th month, 1768.— The representatives are David Smith and Benja Howland, 2d, both present.

Caleb Macumber hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Coakset, certifying his clearness, respecting marriage and conversation.

Caleb Macumber and Rachel Wilbour appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting; and Philip Allen and Daniel Cornel are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Thomas Wilcox's paper hath not been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting by reason of a mistake; therefore he is desired to cause said paper to be read between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and return said paper to said Meeting.

David Anthony and his wife's paper hath been read, and returned to this Meeting, according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth:--

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth — These comes with sorrow to inform that through weakness and the insinuations of the Adversary we have fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, as appears by our having a child so soon after marriage, for which we are heartily and sincerely sorry and do condemn the same, hoping forgiveness from Almighty God, and desire to take the reproach thereof upon ourselves and clear Friends and the Truth from the same, and desire Friends so far to pass it by as to let us remain under their care. Given forth this 13th day of the 7th month, 1768, by your friends

David Anthony
Judith Anthony.

The committee appointed to have the care of Humphrey Smith, ye 3d, report that they have not had an opportunity with him, and that he desires that Friends would wait on him one month longer. Therefore the matter is referred under the same care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to assist Stephen Wilcox, report, that the matter remains not settled; therefore the case is referred under the same care, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read, and kindly accepted.

The women Friends inform that they have minuted Susanna Howland under Friends' care, which this Meeting concurs with.

Joseph Gifford, William Anthony Jr, Barzillai Tucker Prince Allen, Timothy Russell, Samuel Smith, Jonathan Hussey and John Potter are appointed to have the oversight of the galleries and other seats at our Yearly Meeting to endeavor to prevent any indecency, that may be liable to happen at that time, and they to make report of their service at the next Monthly Meeting

1768. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21 of the 11th month, 1768.— The representatives are Benja Howland, the 2d, and Samuel Smith,— both present.

Daniel Cornel and Philip Allen report that they attended the marriage of Caleb Macumber and Rachel Wilboor, which was consummated in good order.

Thomas Wilcox's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:— —

Dartmouth, 18th day 4th mo, 1768

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends:—

Whereas through unwatchfulness have I fallen into the sin of fornication, as manifestly hath appeared by my wife having a child soon after marriage, for which evil I am sorry for, hoping for the future to be more careful, and I beg that God will forgive me for the above said evil, and all my misconduct, and Friends would pass it by, and I remain under their care. From your friend,

Thomas Wilcox

Whereas Humphrey Smith, the 3rd, some time past hath been in the practice of horse racing, and hath been labored with for the same, and neglects to condemn the abovesaid practice to Friends. satisfaction, and since hath kept a great deal of loose company, and hath fallen into a bodily strife with Samuel Macumber Jun, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Benja Howland, the 2d, and William Anthony, Jr to labor with him for the aforesaid offences, as they shall find freedom, and draw a paper of denial, if he do not give them satisfaction, and to inform him of their appointment from this Meeting, and make report to ye next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to assist Stephen Wilcox, report as follows:—

Agreeable to appointment we have made inspection into the affairs of Stephen Wilcox in regard to his debts (which the Meeting hath long held in suspense) and we think he is very much involved in debt and in low circumstances, and neglects the payment of his just debts, as appears to us by the complaints of his creditors, some of whom appear to be long kept out of their just dues, and he not in a way to discharge them to the honor and credit of Friends, and the Profession we bear; wherefore, we having seriously and weightily considered the same, it is our united sense and judgment, that he ought to pay and satisfy his said creditors, or immediately deliver up his Estate to them, notifying them respectively to come and take it in proportion to their several dues. Which method we have repeatedly advised him to proceed in, and which he now promises immediately to comply with.

Given forth this 21 of the 11th mo 1768— by your friends,

Benja Howland, 2d,
Samuel Smith
Thomas Hicks
Barzillai Tucker

And the aforesaid committee are still continued to see that the said Stephen Wilcox fulfils his promise, and make report to the Monthly Meeting, as soon as the matter can be accomplished.

The committee appointed to have the oversight of the Yearly Meeting — several of them report that they attended the service to satisfaction, and that people behaved tolerable orderly — but several of the committee hath neglected to make report — therefore Samuel Smith is appointed to call on them for the reason of their neglect, and make report next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends living in Allen's Neck, request the liberty to hold a meeting down there on each First (day)? in the four following months, which this meeting grants, and do appoint Philip Allen and Daniel Cornell to see the meeting carried on agreeable to Truth and make report to the Monthly Meeting, at the expiration of said time. And the Friends living in Smith's Neck request the liberty to hold a meeting among them on two First days in each month for the winter season, which this Meeting grants, and they are to hold it on every other First day as comes in course for the winter season, and Benja Howland, 2d, and Samuel Smith are appointed to see that the said meeting be held according to Truth, and they to make report to the Monthly Meeting at the expiration of the aforesaid time.

Whereas our esteemed Friend, Ephraim Baker hath visited our Meeting, and desired our certificate; therefore Joseph Tucker and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to draw one for him, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas Humphrey Slocum now resides at Rhode Island, and desires a few lines to recommend him to the Monthly Meeting there; therefore Joseph Tucker and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to draw a certificate for him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting. Whereas Joseph Rotch desires a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island certifying his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation, therefore Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to draw one for him, if they think proper, after they have made sufficient inquiry in his aforesaid clearness, and bring it to next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting appoints Samuel Smith to join with Coakset Friends to transcribe the Book of Discipline as reasonable as they can, and make report when it is accomplished.

At a Monthly Meeting, held in Dartmouth, the 19th of the 12th mo, 1768.— The representatives are David Smith and Barzillai Tucker — both present.

Peleg Slocum Jun and Susanna Howland declared their intention of marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Nicholas Howland and Prince Allen are appointed to inquire into Peleg Slocum's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to

1768. the next Monthly Meeting.

And Barnabas Wing and Jane Merihew declared their intention of marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer.

The Friends appointed to labour with Humphrey Smith, ye 3d, report that they have labored with him, and that he desires Friends to wait on him one month longer, which is granted, and they still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas three Friends were deficient last Monthly Meeting in making report of their service in the oversight of the Yearly meeting now make report that they all attended the service to pretty good satisfaction, and they have assigned the reasons of their neglect to the satisfaction of this Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate directed to the Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the Nine Partners in the Province of New York, for our Friend Ephraim Baker.

And this Meeting hath also signed a certificate for our Friend Humphrey Slocum to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island, certifying his being under the care of this Meeting, and his conversation in a good degree orderly.

And this Meeting hath also signed a certificate for Joseph Rotch to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island, certifying his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting. The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are William Anthony, Jr, William Mosher, Samuel Smith, and Benja Howland, the 2d, and they to present the Epistle with the answers to the queries, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £10–16^s–8^d, old tenor; and the Treasurer has paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year according to order.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the First Month, 1769.— The representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey – both present.

Barnabas Wing hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, certifying his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation, which hath been read and accepted.

Peleg Slocum Jun, and Susanna Howland, and Barnabas Wing and Jane Merihew appeared for their answers, which was that each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Joseph Gifford and Job Russell are appointed to see Peleg Slocum's and Susanna Howland's marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. And Joseph Smith and William Mosher are appointed for the same service with Barnabas Wing and Jane Merihew, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Bartholomew Taber and Mercy Bowdish, and Thomas Almy & Deborah Allen declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answers; and Daniel Cornel and Prince Allen are appointed to make inquiry into Thomas Almy's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Humphrey Smith, the 3rd, hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his offences in horse racing, gaming, and in having a bodily strife with Samuel Macumber, with all the rest of his misconduct, which is continued under the care of William Anthony Jr, until the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that, they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read, and well accepted.

Proposals for printing two sorts of primers and a book of Samuel Fuller's works has been sent down from the Quarterly Meeting. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell, Jonathan Hussey, William Anthony Jr, Samuel Smith, Prince Allen, Daniel Cornel, Thomas Hicks, William Mosher, Peleg Gifford, and Benja Russell, the 4th, to collect subscriptions for the aforesaid books, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers inform this Meeting that Thomas Willcox hath removed out of the verge of this Meeting without a certificate. Therefore Humphrey Smith, Samuel Smith and William Anthony Jr are appointed to draw a certificate for him, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The committee, appointed some time past to settle the affair respecting Rachel Sowle with Sandwich Monthly Meeting, report, that they have had two conferences with said Meetings committee, and that they could not settle that affair; therefore the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 20th of the 2d Month, 1769. — The representatives are Samuel Smith and William Anthony Jr both present.

Bartholomew Taber hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich certifying his clearness in respect to marriage ~~and conversation~~, and that he is under the care of that Meeting and also signifying his parents' consent.

The Friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of Thomas Almy respecting marriage and conversation, report that, they have made inquiry and do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Bartholomew Taber and Mercy Bowdish, and Thomas

1769. Almy and Deborah Allen, appeared for their answers; which was that each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Thomas Hicks and Prince Allen are appointed to see Thomas Almy and Deborah Allen's marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. And Caleb Russell and Joseph Gifford are appointed to see Bartholomew Taber and Mercy Bowdish's marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to see Peleg Slocum's and Lucy Howland's marriage consummated, report that they attended the marriage, and that it was accomplished in good order.

And also the Friends appointed on the same account with Barnabas Wing and Jane Merihew make the like report that their marriage was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to collect subscriptions for the printing the primers and books, report, that they are in the progress of their service, but have not accomplished it yet. Therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. The matter concerning Humphrey Smith, the 3d, is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Thomas Wilcox to the Monthly Meeting of Coakset. The matter concerning Rachel Soule is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Humphrey Smith, Samuel Smith, Benja Howland, Job Russell, are appointed to review the Monthly Meeting's minutes, to see what part they may think proper to be put on record, & make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th ye 3d month, 1769. The representatives are Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith — both present.

James Davis and Patience Russell declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and William Sanford and David Smith are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to ye next Monthly Meeting. The Friends appointed to see Thomas Almy and Deborah Allen's marriage consummated in good order report, that they both attended the marriage, which was consummated in good order; and likewise the Friends appointed on the same account for Bartholomew Taber and Mercy Bowdish make the like report that their marriage was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to collect subscriptions for Fox's primers and Fuller's books, report, they have taken them in as followeth, viz: —(— — — — — — — — —

	Small Primers	Fox's Primmers	Fuller's Books.
Caleb Russell	23	24	21
Prince Allen	22	16	16
Peleg Gifford	12	5	3
William Mosher	60	24	26
Daniel Cornell	10	3	5
Benjamin Russell, 4th	41	20	8
Thomas Hicks	11	3	2
Samuel Smith	31	13	6
William Anthony Jr.	15	10	
Jonathan Hussey	6	6	
Whole of each sort subscribed for.	231	126	87

The matter concerning Humphrey Smith, ye 3rd, is referred under the care of Joseph Gifford, William Sanford, and Barzillai Tucker, and they are desired to visit the young man, and make report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The women Friends inform that Dinah Ricketson hath given in a paper to their Meeting some months past condemning her falling into the sin of fornication, which they have concluded to accept; provided she cause said paper to be read publicly at the close of a First day meeting for worship, she being present, and return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting, which this Meeting concurs with.

Whereas Rachel Sowle was set off to Sandwich Monthly Meeting some time past, and the said Meeting refusing to accept her, and this Meeting having appointed a committee to hear the reasons of their refusal, and also to settle the matter concerning her, and they have some months past made report that they have had several conferences with Sandwich Monthly Meeting, and could not settle the matter in controversy, their reasons, as we apprehend, not being sufficient, therefore this Meeting doth appoint a committee to settle the matter the best way that they may think proper in behalf of this Meeting, whose names are Humphrey Smith, Prince Allen, Thomas Hicks, Joseph Gifford, James Tucker, or either two of them, and they to make report to this Meeting, when they have made full trial for a settlement.

The overseers of the Poor have brought an account for doing for the poor to the amount of £6 — 11^s — 10^d, old tenor; and the Treasurer has paid the same by the order of this Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £8 — 4^s — 2^d old tenor.

This Meeting adjourns to the 29th inst.

This Meeting being met according to adjournment ye 29th of the 3rd mo 1769.— The representatives being called — both present.—

The committee, appointed to review the Meeting's minutes, report, they have reviewed said minutes, and left them with Samuel Smith to be recorded. The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting and this Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and Jonathan Hussey, Thomas Hicks &

1769. William Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to present the Epistle with the answers to the Queries, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
The Friends appointed to have the care of Humphrey Smith ye 3d, report that he gave them tolerable good satisfaction; therefore this Meeting concludes to accept his paper that he gave in to this Meeting some months past, if he will cause it to be read at the close of a First day meeting of worship, he being present, between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and return said paper to next Monthly Meeting.
Choosing of elders is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Prince Allen, Joseph Gifford, Barzillai Tucker, Thomas Hicks 2d, and Caleb Russell, are appointed overseers of the Poor.

The Friends appointed to have the care of the meetings held in Allens Neck and in Smiths Neck, report that they attended the meetings respectively, which were held to good satisfaction.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th, 4th month, 1769 — The representatives are David Smith and Barzillai Tucker; both present.
The Friends appointed to inquire into the clearness of James Davis in respect to marriage and conversation, report that they have made inquiry, and do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage. James Davis and Patience Russell appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and William Sanford and Joseph Gifford are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, & make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
Dinah Ricketson's paper hath been read and returned to this Meeting according to the direction of last Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to settle the controversy between this and Sandwich Monthly Meeting, concerning Rachel Sowle, report, that they have settled the matter by referring it to indifferent Friends, and their judgment is that the said Rachel Sowle belongs to this Meeting.
Dinah Ricketson's paper above mentioned is as followeth—

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held the 21 of the 11th month, 1768.— Esteemed Friends:

Whereas I through unwatchfulness have fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, which plainly appears by my having a child so soon after marriage, and gone contrary to the good order of Friends, all which I am sorry for, hoping God will forgive me: and I desire Friends would pass it by, so far as to let me remain under their care.

Dinah Ricketson.

Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are appointed to make inquiry to find what estate belongs to the abovesaid Rachel Soule, and also to settle accounts with her creditors, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read, and well accepted. Humphrey Smith, the 3d, his paper hath been read agreeable to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows:-

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth:

These comes with sorrow to acknowledge my outgoings in horse-racing, gaming, and falling into a bodily strife with Samuel Macumber, Jr.; all which I do heartily and sincerely condemn with all other my outgoings, and hoping forgiveness from the Lord, I desire Friends so far to pass them by, as to let me remain under your care, desiring that I may for the time to come, be preserved from the like evils, or any others. Dated this 15th of ye first mo. 1769.—

Humphrey Smith, ye 3d.

Choosing of Elders is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Mosher informs this Meeting that he is about to remove with his family to the Nine Partners, and desires a removal certificate; therefore Luke Hart and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to make inquiry into his life and conversation, and to see that his outward affairs be settled to satisfaction, and draft a certificate for himself and family if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

William Wilcox hath exhibited a complaint against Benja Smith for refusing to pay him an award brought in by arbitrators indifferently chosen between them. Therefore Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to treat with the said Benja Smith for his neglect, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th: 5th month 1769.— The representatives are David Smith and Barzillai Tucker — both present.

The Friends appointed to see James Davis and Patience Russell's marriage consummated, report that their said marriage is not accomplished, by reason the young woman has been sick. Therefore they are still continued in said service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to inquire into Rachel Soule's affairs, and to settle accounts with her creditors, report that they have made some progress therein, and desire one month longer to accomplish said business, which is granted them, and they to make report next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Joseph

1769 Mosher and his family to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine Partners in Douches County in the Province of New York. The Friends appointed to treat with Benjamin Smith for neglecting to fulfil an award brought in between him and William Wilcox, report, that the said Benjamin informed them that the arbitrators were not chosen between them according to rule, and therefore ye case was not brought to the Meeting according to the rule of Discipline. Therefore this Meeting doth add Joseph Gifford to the former committee on that case, and they to treat with the said Benja Smith, and to make inquiry into every particular circumstance relating to the controversy, & to labor as they find freedom to settle the said controversy, and to make report to ye next Monthly Meeting.

Choosing of Elders is referred to the next Monthly Meeting. Obadiah Allen hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his former outgoings, for which he was denied, and desiring to be received again under Friends care, which is referred to next Monthly Meeting under the care of Thomas Hicks and Barzillai Tucker, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of the 6th month, 1769.— The representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey— both present.

William Sanford and Joseph Gifford report, that they attended the marriage of James Davis and Patience Russell which was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed to settle accounts with Rachel Sowle's creditors, and to see what money remains due to her, report that there remains due to the said Rachel Sowle £6—5^s—$10\frac{1}{2}^d$ lawful money. The committee appointed to treat with Benjamin Smith, on account of a complaint exhibited against him by William Wilcox, report that the matter is settled to satisfaction between the said Benjamin Smith and William Wilcox. This Meeting hath signed three removal certificates; one for Elizabeth Tripp and one for Rachel Macumber, both to the Monthly Meeting of Coakset; and one for Mercy Taber to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

Our esteemed Friend Rachel Wilson hath visited us with her certificate from the Monthly Meeting at Kendal in Westmorland in old England, bearing date the 24th of the 6th mo, 1768, with a concurrence from the Quarterly Meeting held at Kendal for Westmorland, the 8th of the 7 month, 1768, which were read in this Meeting to good satisfaction. In company with whom came our esteemed Friend Sarah Hopkins with her certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at Huddonfield in the county of Gloucester, the 8th of the First month, 1769: and her visit

kindly accepted. And likewise our esteemed Friend John Pemberton, hath visited this Meeting with his certificate, from the Monthly Meeting held in Philadelphia, by adjournment from the 26th: 5th mo to the 30th: of the same, 1769, which hath been read and well accepted.
This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Thomas Wicom to the Monthly Meeting of Coaxset.
This Meeting hath collected 19s–2d lawful money.
This Meeting adjourns to the last Fourth day of this month.
This Meeting being met by adjournment the 28th of the 6th month 1769—
The representatives being called, Caleb Russell, present but Jonathan Hussey, not present, by reason he is gone to Nantucket Yearly Meeting. The matter concerning choosing Elders is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.
The matter concerning Obadiah Allen is referred to next Monthly Meeting under the same care as heretofore, and they then to make report.
The women Friends have brought a paper to this Meeting from Elizabeth Potter condemning her disorderly marriage, which they have accepted, and this Meeting concurs therewith.
Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell and William Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the Epistle to the same, which this Meeting hath signed, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.
Humphrey Smith and Samuel Smith are appointed to collect an account of the several public Friends' decease, that have lately been removed, and put them in order agreeable to the Book of Discipline, and bring them to this Meeting, as soon as they conveniently can.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 7th month, 1769.— The representatives are Samuel Smith and Benja Howland, 2d, both present.
Obadiah Allen hath given in a paper to this Meeting some time past, and now this Meeting concludes to accept of it, provided he cause said paper to be read publicly at the close of a First day meeting for worship, he being present, and return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting
The Friends, appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read, in which it appears, there is a mistake; therefore this Meeting concludes to return said Epistle, to the Quarterly Meeting again.
The Treasurer reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the Meeting-house half a year.
This Meeting hath received the London Epistle for the year 1768, as likewise a transcript of our last Yearly Meeting's Epistle, and likewise a transcript of the judgment of the

1769 Yearly Meetings Committee respecting the tenth query.

Peace Shearman hath given in a paper to this Meeting, which came from the women's Meeting, and they inform this Meeting, that they have concluded to accept of the same, which this (meeting) concurs with, provided she cause it to be read publicly at the close of a First day Meeting of worship, and she be present, and return said paper to next Monthly Meeting.

The matter concerning choosing of Elders is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21 of the 8th month, 1769. – The representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey; both present.

Abraham Smith and Zerviah Ricketson declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Caleb Russell & Joseph Gifford are appointed (to) inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Obadiah Allen's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows:—

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth:—

Loving Friends:—

Whereas I through weakness and the insinuation of the Adversary, have twice fallen into the sin of fornication, and likewise in gaming, for which evils I can truly say I am sorry for, and do sincerely condemn the same with all other my outgoings, hoping forgiveness from Almighty God. I desire Friends to receive me again under their care, and would hereby take the reproach of my outgoings on myself, and clear Friends and the Truth from the same.

Given forth this 15th day of the 5th month, 1769,

by your friend, Obadiah Allen.—

Peace Shearman's paper hath been read and returned to this Meeting according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth:—

Dartmouth the 12th of the 1 month, 1769.—

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be holden in Dartmouth the 16th inst: Dear Friends:— These may inform that notwithstanding I had my education amongst Friends, I have by giving way to the temptations of the Adversary, been guilty of the sin of fornication, as appears by my having a child so soon after marriage, which sin I do heartily condemn with all other my offences, and am heartily sorry for, hoping that God in his abundant mercy will forgive me, and I do desire that Friends will so far pass by my offences, as to suffer me still to remain under their care — Peace Shearman —

This Meeting hath signed two removal certificates to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich; one for Edith Wing, wife of Edw. Wing Jun; the other for Jane Wing, wife of Barnabas Wing.
This Meeting doth appoint Job Russell an Elder in addition to our former Elders.
Smithfield Monthly Meeting hath writ to this Meeting informing us, that Samuel Howland Jun, hath omitted to deliver his removal certificate to them till three years after the date, and also they discover a shortness in the certificate respecting the settlement of his outward affairs. Therefore William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith are appointed to write to the said Howland in behalf of this Meeting, as they shall think proper, and also to inquire into his affairs above mentioned, and to make report as soon as they conveniently can to this Meeting.
Daniel Cornel desires a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Coakset concerning his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation. Therefore this Meeting doth appoint Nicholas Howland and Philip Allen to inquire into the above mentioned respects, and draft a certificate for him, if they think proper and make report to next Monthly Meeting.

William Sanford Jr hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in marrying out of the unity of Friends, which is refered to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 18th of the 9th mo, 1769.— The representatives are Samuel Smith and Barzillai Tucker; both present.—

Caleb Russell and Joseph Gifford report, that they have made inquiry into the clearness of Abraham Smith in respect to marriage and conversation, and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage
Abraham Smith and Susanah Ricketson appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between now and next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Caleb Russell and John Potter are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. John Tucker and Rhoda Wing declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Luke Hart and Wm Mosher are appointed to inquire into John Tucker's clearness in respect to marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Daniel Cornel to Coakset Monthly Meeting certifying his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation,

The case of William Sanford Jr is refered to next Monthly Meeting under the care of Jonathan Hussey and David Smith

1769. and they to make report to next Monthly Meeting.

Rhoda Wing hath produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Coakset, which hath been read in this Meeting, and accepted.

It hath been moved at this Meeting for a new choice of overseers, and the matter laboring somewhat hard, the matter is referred to next Monthly Meeting, and the same Friends, that were in that service, are continued in the same service one month longer.

This Meeting hath signed a few lines to Smithfield Monthly Meeting in answer to their request respecting a deficiency in Samuel Howland Jr's certificate.

The women Friends inform that they have accepted of Phebe Sisson's paper, which this Meeting concurs with.

This Meeting hath collected £12-5s-6d old tenor.

This Meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month.

This Meeting being met by adjournment the 6th day of the 10th month, 1769.— The representatives being called; both present.

The queries have been read and answered in this Meeting & the answers are ordered to be sent up to the Quarterly Meeting, by the representatives with the Epistle to the same, which hath been signed in this Meeting.

Joseph Tucker, Nicholas Howland and William Sanford are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the said Epistle and answers, as aforesaid, and make return to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a few lines to the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders signifying our appointing of Job Russell, an Elder.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 10th month, 1769.— The representatives are Jonathan Hussey and Wm Anthony Jr; both present.

The Friends appointed to inquire into John Tucker's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, report that they have made inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

John Tucker and Rhoda Wing appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Luke Hart and William Mosher are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

William Taber (son of Joseph Taber) and Martha Hart declared their intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their answer.

Caleb Russell and John Potter report that they attended the marriage of Abraham Smith and Zeviah Ricketson, which was consummated in good order.

Jonathan Hussey and David Smith report that they have had no opportunity to treat with Wm Sanford Jr; therefore that case is refered to next Monthly Meeting under the care of the same Friends, and they then to make report.

A new choice of overseers is refered to next Monthly Meeting, and the former overseers still continued one month longer.

The Friends, appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read, and well accepted.

This Meeting hath received two printed Epistles; one from the Meeting of Sufferings in London, dated in the 3rd month, 1769— The other from the Meeting of Sufferings in Philadelphia, dated in the 9th month 1769.—

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Coakset, for our friend, Elizabeth Gifford.

This Meeting doth appoint Joseph Gifford, John Potter, William Barker, Caleb Russell, Barzillai Tucker, Prince Allen, and James Tucker, to have the oversight of the lofts and other seats at our Yearly Meeting, to prevent any disorder at that time and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of the 11th month, 1769.— The representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey— both present.—

William Taber (son of Joseph Taber) hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, certifying his being under the care of Friends there, and clear from any entanglements respecting marriage, and he hath also produced the consent of his parents to proceed in marriage.

Peter Barnard hath produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket certifying his being under the care of that Meeting, and clear from any entanglement in respect to marriage; and he hath also produced his parents consent that he may proceed in marriage with Rebecca Hussey.

Peter Barnard with Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood with Dinah Hussey, and Increase Smith with Elizabeth Barker, declared their intentions of marriage, and each couple were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their answers. And William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith are appointed to inquire into the said Increase Smith's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Luke Hart and William Mosher report that they attended the marriage of John Tucker and Rhoda Wing, and that it was consummated in good order.

Jonathan Hussey and David Smith report that they have not yet had an opportunity to speak with William Sanford Jr by reason of his being absent; therefore the matter is refered

1769. under their care as heretofore, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting at Oblong for our Friend Mary Hammond.

This Meeting doth adjourn to the 29th day of this instant.

At a Monthly Meeting met by adjournment in Dartmouth the 29th, 11th mo, 1769.—

The representatives being called; Caleb Russell, present, the other not present. William Taber, son of Joseph Taber, and Martha Hart appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers, that we shall appoint for that purpose. William Mosher and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

A new choice of overseers is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to have the oversight of the lofts and other seats at the Yearly Meeting report that they mostly attended the said meeting, and saw nothing but what was tolerable orderly.

The Friends living in Allen's Neck request liberty to hold a meeting for worship in said Neck, as heretofore, which is granted them agreeable to their request, and Philip Allen and Daniel Cornel are appointed to have the oversight of the same, to see that it be kept in good order, and to make report to the Monthly Meeting in the Fourth month next.

The Friends living in Smith's Neck do also request liberty to hold a meeting of worship in their Neck, on each First day of the week, for the three ensuing winter months, which is granted them, and William Anthony and Samuel Smith are appointed to see that the same be kept orderly, and to make report to the Monthly Meeting in the Fourth month next.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 12th month, 1769.— The representatives are Jonathan Hussey and William Anthony Jr.; both present.

John Wood hath produced a certificate from Coakset Monthly Meeting, certifying his clearness respecting marriage and he hath the consent of his near relations to proceed in marriage. William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith report that they have made inquiry into Increase Smith's clearness, and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Peter Barnard and Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood and Dinah Hussey, and Increase Smith and Elizabeth Barker, all appeared for their answers, which was that each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Abraham Tucker and David Smith are appointed to see that the marriages of the two first mentioned couples are consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting. And William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith are appointed to see that, the marriage of Increase Smith and Elizabeth Barker be consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Jonathan Hussey and David Smith report that, they have not had an opportunity to treat, with William Sanford Jr. Therefore the matter is referred under their care and they to make report to the Monthly Meeting as soon as they conveniently can.

William Mosher and Barzillai Tucker report, that they attended the marriage of William Taber and Martha Hart, and, that, it was consummated in good order.

A new choice of overseers is referred to next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £. 7 – 15^s – 2^d old tenor.

The Treasurer hath paid Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year, by the direction of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 27th instant.

At a Monthly Meeting held by adjournment the 27th of the 12th month 1769.— The representatives being called; both present. The queries have been read and answered.

This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and Caleb Russell and William Mosher are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the Epistle with the said answers, and to make report to ye next Monthly Meeting.

Jonathan Hussey, William Anthony jr., and Samuel Smith are appointed to collect the money for the books, and to send it to John Dockry, as soon as may be, according to the request, of the last Quarterly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the First month 1770— The representatives are Jonathan Hussey and William Barker— both present.

Benjamin Howland 2d, and Silvester Smith declared their intentions of marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their answer and John Potter and Thomas Hicks are appointed to inquire into the said Benja Howland's clearness in respect to marriage and conversation, and make report to next Monthly Meeting.

1770. Abraham Tucker and David Smith report, that they attended the marriages of Peter Barnard & Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood and Dinah Hussey, which were consummated in good order: and William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith make the like report respecting the marriage of Increase Smith and Elizabeth Barker.

Mary Cornell, wife of Daniel Cornell has produced a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Coakset, which hath been read, and accepted.

The women Friends inform that they have accepted of Catharine Briggs's paper condemning her marrying out of unity of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

A new choice of overseers is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and the following Friends are chosen as a committee for that service for one month, viz; Daniel Cornell, Jonathan Hussey, William Barker and Nicholas Howland, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Caleb Russell and William Mosher report, that they attended the Quarterly Meeting agreeable to appointment, and they have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read, and kindly accepted.

The Friends appointed have adjusted accounts with the Treasurer and there remains in the stock £10—6^s—2^d, old tenor, and they also report that they have fulfilled their appointment in regard to the books, and that they have sent all the money in the stock to pay for said books.

William Smith hath exhibited a complaint against Stephen Wilcox for neglecting to pay him his due, which the overseers hath brought to the Meeting, with a scandalous report respecting the said Wilcox's deceiving of Benja Gifford of Falmouth, by taking money of him to convey to William Smith, and converted it to his own use, and also that he neglects to attend meetings both for worship and discipline, for all which offences the overseers have labored with him. And this Meeting doth appoint Abraham Tucker, Joseph Gifford and Barzillai Tucker to labor further with the said Wilcox, in order to convince him of the above said offenses, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

David Shepherd desires a certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island of his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation. Therefore Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to make inquiry, and draw one for him, if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

One of the overseers with another Friend have exhibited a complaint against Elihu Mosher for marrying out of the unity of Friends, for which they labored with him, and he declines to make satisfaction. Therefore Joseph Gifford and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to labor further with him, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, the 19th of the 2d month, 1770.— The representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey – both present—

The friends appointed to inquire into Benja Howland's clearness report that they don't find him quite clear; and they also report, that the widow's estate is not settled according to good order. Therefore John Potter and Thos Hicks are still continued in the same service, and they are also appointed with Jonathan Hussey and Benja Slocum to see that the widow's estate be settled according to good order, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting. A new choice of overseers is referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed as overseers last month, report that they have been in a progress to discharge their trust, and have found tolerable good satisfaction. Therefore they are still continued in the same Service one month longer; and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to labour with Stephen Wilcox, report, that they have discharged their trust in that respect, and that he gave them some encouragement to appear at this Meeting, which he hath failed of, and hath not sent any excuse for his offences, and their report not being satisfactory, and this Meeting being clear of any further labour with him, have concluded to deny the said Stephen Wilcox, and do appoint Joseph Gifford, Daniel Cornell and Samuel Smith to draft a paper of denial against him, agreeable to his offences, and to bring it to next Monthly Meeting, and they to inform said Stephen of the conclusion of this Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for David Shepherd to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island, certifying his clearness in respect to marriage and conversation.

Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith, Job Russell, and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to review the Meeting's minutes, to see what part they think proper to go on record, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Elihu Mosher hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorderly marriage, which is referred under the care of the Friends appointed last Monthly Meeting to labour with him. Elihu Gifford hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorderly marriage, which is referred under the care of William Barker.

William Anthony Jr hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his fault against John Russell, which this Meeting hath concluded to accept, provided he cause it to be read at the close of a First day meeting of worship, he being present, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting, and then to return said paper.

This Meeting adjourns to the 28th instant.

At a Monthly Meeting met according to adjournment the 28th of the 2d month, 1770.— the representatives being called; both present.

1770 The women Friends inform, that they have denied Hephzibah Shearman for marrying out of the unity of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

James Davis and his wife have given in a paper to this Meeting signifying their sorrow for their falling into the sin of fornication, which is referred under the care of Paul Russell and Daniel Cornell, and they are desired to treat with them respecting the above said offence, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th: 3rd mo, 1770. — — The representatives are Thomas Hicks, 2d, and Samuel Smith — both present.

The Friends appointed to inspect into Benja Howland, the 2nd's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, report, that they have made inquiry, and don't find anything material to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Benja Howland 2d and Silvester Smith appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith are appointed to see their marriage consummated in good order, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Caleb Russell jr and Content Gifford declared their intention of marriage at this Meeting, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and William Barker and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to inquire into the young man's clearness respecting marriage and conversation, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed as overseers at the last Monthly Meeting, report that they have in a good degree discharged their trust, reposed in them, and they are still continued in the same service one month longer, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting; and William Mosher and Samuel Smith are added to the aforesaid committee of overseers.

The Friends appointed to draw a paper of denial against Stephen Wilcocks, and to inform him of the conclusion of last Monthly Meeting, report that they have discharged their trust in that respect, and that the said Stephen gave them some encouragement of trying to make Friends satisfaction at this Meeting, which he hath failed of. Therefore the clerk hath signed said paper by order of this Meeting, and he is appointed to read said paper at the close of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and he then to make report.

The committee appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting's minutes, report that they have done it, and have left them with

Samuel Smith to be recorded.

This Meeting hath signed a removal certificate for Peace Wing, wife of Benj'a Wing to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich.

The women Friends inform, that they have minuted Rebecca Cornal under their care, which this Meeting concurs with.

William Anthony Jr hath reported to this Meeting that his paper hath been read, and returned to the Meeting, accordin to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting

(In the original minutes this paper was not recorded until the 2d mo, 1771, as it was mislaid. The copyist has inserted it here in the proper place)

To the Monthly Meeting to be held in Dartmouth the 19th 2d mo, 1770. — — — Esteemed Friends and Brethren:- These are to inform that in the year 1768 I was indebted to John Russell for a large sum of money, and the time being expired for payment, and he calling for his pay, I not having near all the money to pay him, I proposed for to answer part of the money due to him, by giving notes to his creditors, which he consented to, and I being under an engagement to go a voyage to perkipsey, and being disappointed at that time about answering to some of his creditors, as aforesaid, I then inconsideratly proceeded the voyage before there was a full settlement between the said Russell and I, which gave him cause to think hard of me. The which I am sorry for and do condemn, and I desire Friends to pass by my offence in that respect.

From your Friend, William Anthony Jr.

The Friends appointed to treat with James Davis and his wife report, that they have not had an opportunity to discharge their trust. Therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to have the care of the Meeting granted to be held in Allen's Neck, and in Smith's Neck, report, that they have attended said meetings, which hath been kept to good satisfaction.

Thomas Briggs requests (to) be taken under Friends' care; therefore Seth Shearman and William Sanford are appointed to inquire into his life and conversation, and make report to next Monthly Meeting.

The queries hath been read, and answered in this Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for our Friend Anna Gifford to the Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, certifying that her testimony and conversation is accepted among us.

This Meeting hath signed a certificate for Paul Russell to the verge of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, certifying that his conversation and testimony is in unity among us.

This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting to be held next at Rhod Island, and Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith, William Mosher, Thomas Hicks, 2d, are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to

1770. present the Epistle with the answers to the queries, and they to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers hath exhibited a complaint against John Russel for reporting from time to time that William Anthony Jr was a false man and a deceiver. And he refuses to condemn it according to the judgment of the arbitrators; therefore this Meeting appoints John Potter, Prince Allin, and Joseph Gifford to inspect into the cause of said Russell's refusing to comply to condemn his fault as aforesaid, and to labor with him as they may find occasion, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Thomas Hicks, 2d, is appointed Treasurer for this Meeting instead of David Smith.

This Meeting doth appoint Joseph Gifford and Barzillai Tucker to serve Stephen Wilcocks with a copy of his denial, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Samuel Smith and Benja Slocom are appointed to compare the Treasurer's accounts with the records, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £10 -- 18^{s} -- 3^{d}, old tenor.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of the 4th month, 1770.— The representatives are William Barker and Barzillai Tucker — both present.

William Barker and Barzillai Tucker report that they have answered their appointment in regard to Caleb Russell Jr, & find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage.

Caleb Russell Jr and Content Gifford appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose; and William Barker and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to see the same consummated in good order, & make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of Benja Howland the 2d and Silvester Smith consummated in good order, report that they attended their said marriage, and that it was consummated in good order.

The Friends appointed as overseers, report that (they) have discharged their trust in some degree; therefore they are still continued one month longer in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Stephen Wilcox's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth:-

----- Whereas Stephen Wilcox of Dartmouth in the county of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, having been educated under the care of Friends, and has long made profession with us, and in times past bore a public testimony, which was acceptable among us, yet nevertheless with sorrow we find that through the prevalence of the Adversary and disregarding the divine principle of life in his own heart, he has so deviated from the way of truth, and the profession he has made; as to fall into several reproachful evils and disorders; particularly in that he being entrusted by a Friend of Falmouth to carry some money to William Smith, and converted the same to his own use, whereby he betrayed his trust, and very much deceived the said Friend. For the want of which money the said William Smith hath exhibited his complaint to this Meeting: and likewise the said Stephen is found in the neglect of that indispensable duty of attending religious meetings of Divine worship and discipline. And Friends having in great love and tenderness towards him repeatedly, visited him and labored with him in order to discover to him the evil of his ways, and reclaim him from his outgoings; but our labour of love not obtaining the desired effect to the satisfaction of this Meeting, therefore for the clearing of the precious Truth and Friends from the reproach of such evils and defective members, this Meeting is concerned to give this forth as a testimony against him, and do hereby publicly disown the said Stephen Wilcox from being a member of our Society, and from under the care of this Meeting, sincerely desiring (if it be consistent with Divine pleasure) that he may yet return from the evil of his ways, and by an unfeigned repentance and reformation, be restored to the way of Truth and Salvation.

Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth, the 19th of the 3rd month, 1770.

And signed in and by order of said Meeting by
Job Russell, Clerk.

The Friends appointed to serve Stephen Wilcox with a copy of the foregoing denial, report, that they gave him only copies of the minutes of his denial; therefore they are still requested to serve him with a copy of the above denial, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to enquire into Thomas Briggs' life and conversation on his request to come under Friends' care, and to treat with him in that respect, one of the said Friends report, that but one of them has had an opportunity to speak with him; therefore they are still continued in the same service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Friends, appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read & kindly accepted.

The committee appointed to treat with John Russell for his fault cognized in the last Monthly Meeting, report that they desire one month longer to discharge their trust in that respe Therefore they are continued in the same service, and to mak

1770. report next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to compare the Treasurer's accounts with the records report that they have not had an opportunity to fulfil that service. Therefore they are still continued in said service, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Samuel Smith reports, that he hath joined with a Friend of Coakset Monthly Meeting, and they have transcribed the Book of Discipline, according to the appointment of this Meeting some months past: for which he charges this Meeting £ 7-1^s-6^d old tenor, which is allowed, and he is tolerated to draw the money out of the Treasury, if there be enough in the stock, and he to make report next Monthly Meeting.

John Potter and Seth Shearman hath brought an account to this Meeting for one trenching shovel, which cost £ 2-5^s-0^d, which this Meeting allows.

Elihu Mosher hath given in a paper to this Meeting some months past, condemning his marrying out of the unity of Friends, and now a report hath been made to tolerable good satisfaction. Therefore his said paper is accepted.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Rebecca Ricketson for falling into the sin of fornication, and the clerk of this Meeting is ordered to read the same at the close of a First day meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and then to make report thereof.

The women Friends inform that they have denied Sarah Almy for marrying out of the unity of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

Barnabas Russell hath given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in taking the oath in common form, which this Meeting accepts.

James Davis and his wife have given in a paper to this Meeting, condemning their falling into the sin of fornication, which this Meeting concludes to accept, provided they cause the same to be read at the close of a First day Meeting for worship, they being present, and return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting, and make report of its being read.

Joseph Rotch Jr informs that he intends to go to London and desires a certificate; therefore Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith are appointed to inquire into his conversation, and in his clearness respecting marriage, and to draft a certificate for him if they find things clear, and to bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Barnabas Russell likewise informs that he intends a voyage to London, and desires a certificate and Joseph Gifford and Samuel Smith are to make the like enquiry concerning him, and to draft a certificate for him if they find him clear, and to bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The overseers have exhibited a complaint against Humphrey Smith, the son of Humphrey, for falling into the sin of fornication, and in frequently drinking of spirituous liquor to excess, and in frequently using of bad language; for all of which evils they have labored with him, and he declines to condemn his offences to their satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting do appoint John Potter and Thomas Hicks to labour with him, as they may find freedom, and to draft a paper of denial against him, if he do not give them satisfaction, and inform him of their appointment, and make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of the 5th month, 1770.— The representatives are Samuel Smith and Barzillai Tucker— both present.

William Barker and Barzillai Tucker report that they attended the marriage of Caleb Russell Jr and Content Gifford, and that it was consummated in tolerable good order.

The Friends appointed as overseers report, that they have been in a labor to discharge the trust reposed in them; therefore they are continued in that service one month longer, as heretofore.

The Friends appointed to serve Stephen Wilcox with a copy of his denial, report, that they have fullfiled their appointment.

The Friends appointed to treat with Thos Briggs respecting his request to come under Friends' care, report that they are not clear, and the said Friends desire to be excused from that service which is granted, and do appoint Joseph Tucker, John Potter and Job Russell in the room of the aforesaid Friends that were excused, and they to make report next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial against Elizabeth Kirby, daughter of Robert Kirby, for falling into the sin of fornication, and the clerk of this Meeting is ordered to read said paper at the close of a First day meeting of worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and then to make report.

Caleb Macumber and his wife have removed within the compass of this Meeting, and each of them have produced a removal certificate, which have been read and accepted.

This Meeting have signed certificates for Joseph Rotch Jr and Barnabas Russell to Friends in London.

Benja Slocum and Samuel Smith report, that they have compared the former Treasurer's accounts with the records of this Meeting as far as seems needful and find no error.

Samuel Smith reports that he hath received the money out of the treasury for transcribing the Book of Discipline according to the order of last Monthly Meeting.

Rebecca Ricketson's paper of denial hath been read according

1770 to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting; which paper is as follows:- - - - Whereas Rebecca Ricketson, daughter of John Ricketson and Phebe his wife, being under Friends care, having (through the prevalence of the Adversary and the depravity of her own nature) fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, as appears by her being delivered of a bastard child, & Friends having sufficiently labored with her for her recovery and to restore her to the way of Truth, but Friends labor not proving effectual, she appearing obstinate, and no appearance of hearty sorrow, therefore for the clearing of the Truth and Friends from the reproach thereof, this Meeting gives this forth as a public testimony against her, hereby disowning her the said Rebecca Ricketson from being one of our Society, and from under the care of this Meeting, until by unfeigned repentance she shall return to the way of Truth.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth on the 16 day of the 4th month, 1770.

Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting by

Job Russell, Clerk.
Hepzibah Hussey, Clerk.

James Davis hath failed of making the report of reading his paper and his wife's according to the proposal of last Monthly Meeting; therefore Caleb Russell is appointed to treat with him for his neglect and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed on account of John Russell report as follows, which is accepted in this Meeting and is as followeth:— Agreeable to the minute from our Monthly Meeting, we have heard John Russell's reasons, why he refused to comply with the judgment of the arbitrators, which reasons we think not sufficient to excuse him. Therefore it is our judgment that John Russell publicly condemn what the arbitrators found him guilty of agreeable to their judgment.

Joseph Gifford
John Potter
Prince Allen

And the said John Russell hath given in a paper to this Meeting, which this Meeting thinks is two short, and do not accept of it. Therefore Peleg Gifford and Jedediah Allen are appointed to labour with the said Russell to condemn his fault agreeable to the judgment of the aforesaid committee, and to return him his paper, and let him know the mind of this Meeting, and to make report to next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to labour with Humphrey Smith, son of Humphrey Smith, report that they have not ha an opportunity to discharge themselves in that respect. Therefor they are still continued in that service until next Monthly Meeting, and then to make report.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 6th month, 1770. — — The representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hussey — both present — The Friends appointed as overseers report, that they have been in a progress to discharge the trust reposed in them. Jona Hussey, Daniel Cornell, Samuel Smith, William Barker, Wm Mosher, are appointed overseers for the year ensuing.

The Friends, appointed to treat with Thos Briggs on his request to come under Friends' care, report that he declines his request at present, things not being clear.

Elizabeth Kirby's paper of denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows: — — — Whereas Elizabeth Kirby, daughter of Robert Kirby and Abigail, his wife, having had her education among Friends, under the care of this Meeting, yet through the insinuation of the Adversary, and the depravity of her own nature, hath so far gone astray from her education, and the profession we bear as to fall into the reproachful sin of fornication, as appears by her having a bastard child; and Friends having sufficiently labored with her in love for her recovery, but our labor of love not obtaining the desired effect to the satisfaction of this Meeting, therefore, for the clearing of Truth and Friends from the reproach of such enormities, this Meeting gives this forth as a testimony against her, hereby publicly disowning the said Elizabeth Kirby from being one of our Society, and from under the care of this Meeting, desiring if it be agreeable to Divine pleasure, that she may yet come to a sense of her outgoings, and by unfeigned repentance return to the way of Truth. Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 21st of the 5th month, 1770, by, Job Russell, Clerk,
Hephzibah Hussey Clerk.

James Davis and his wife's paper hath been read according to the direction of the Monthly Meeting held two months ago, which paper, is as follows: — — To the Monthly Meeting of Friends in Dartmouth — — Beloved Friends: — Whereas we through unwatchfulness have fallen into the reproachful sin of fornication, as appears by our having a child so soon after marriage, for which we are heartily sorry, and do condemn the same, and hoping forgiveness from Almighty God we desire Friends so far to pass it by, as to let us remain under your care. From your friends, James Davis
Patience Davis

Dated this 16th: 4th mo: 1770.

And Caleb Russell reports that he hath treated with the said Davis for neglecting, to read said paper by the time first limited, for which he hath rendered a sufficient excuse.

The Friends appointed to labour with Humphrey Smith, son of Humphrey Smith, report, that he gave them

1770. no real satisfaction; therefore according to appointment, they have drafted a paper of denial against him, which hath been read and signed, and the clerk is appointed to read said paper publicly, as usual, and make report to next Monthly Meeting, and William Anthony is appointed to serve him with a copy of his denial, and to make report next Monthly Meeting).

The queries have been read and answered, and this Meeting hath signed an epistle to the Quarterly Meeting.

Our esteemed Friends Joshua Brown and David Willets having visited this Meeting with their respective certificates, the first from the Monthly Meeting held in Nottingham by adjournment, the 5th of the 5th mo. 1770, in Pennsylvania, the other from the Monthly Meeting held at Westbury on Long Island the 30th of the 5th mo 1770, whose certificates have been read to satisfaction, and their visits kindly accepted.

William Barker, Caleb Russell, Paul Russell, and Wm Mosher are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, & to present the Epistle and answers to the queries, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The women Friends inform that they have minuted Mary Gifford wife of Obadiah Gifford under Friends care, and also that Leah Shearman and Rhoda Hathaway hath made satisfaction for marrying out of the unity of Friends, which this Meeting concurs with.

The Friends appointed to labor with John Russell report that they have labored with him, and he hath given in a paper to this Meeting, condemning his disorder in reporting that William Anthony Jr was a false man and a deceiver, which this Meeting thinks is too short, and do still refer the matter under the care of the aforesaid Friends and Joseph Gifford, and they to inform him the mind of this Meeting, and to make report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected, and sent the money due for the books to John Dockry, by the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

This Meeting hath collected £7 — 13^s — 0^d, old tenor.